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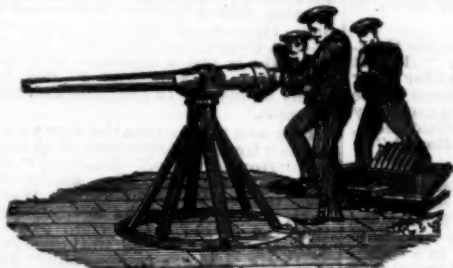
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### PERSONAL ITEMS.

CAPTAIN PATRICK CUSACK, 9th U. S. Cavalry, is visiting at San Antonio, Tex.

CAPTAIN E. O. GIBSON, U. S. A., retired, is at present visiting in New York City.

CAPTAIN J. L. POWELL, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., is visiting friends at Richmond, Va.

LIEUTENANT O. B. WARWICK, 18th U. S. Infantry, has joined his company at Fort Clark, Texas.

CAPTAIN S. P. JOCELYN, 21st U. S. Infantry, is east from Fort Douglas, Utah, on a month's leave.

LIEUTENANT W. J. PARDEE, 18th U. S. Infantry, is at Oswego, N. Y., where his mother died, Jan. 23.

CAPTAIN G. G. LOTT, 11th U. S. Infantry, is spending a season at Hotel St. George, New York City.

COLONEL C. L. BEST, U. S. A., and Mrs. Best, are enjoying a pleasant winter at 55 East 67th St., New York City.

CAPTAIN W. M. WALLACE, 6th U. S. Cavalry, of Fort Wingate, N. M., is spending a few weeks leave in the east.

LIEUTENANT F. H. HARDIE, 3d U. S. Cavalry, north on leave, will shortly return to Texas in charge of recruits.

COLONEL R. I. DODGE, 11th U. S. Infantry, on leave from Madison Barracks, N. Y., is now at Hot Springs, Va.

CAPTAIN E. B. RHEEM, 21st U. S. Infantry, on leave from Fort McKinney, is at 325 East Main street, York, Pa.

CAPTAIN G. SHORLEY, U. S. A., retired, is spending the winter in New York City, with residence at 336 East 77th street.

PAYMASTER GENERAL WILLIAM B. ROCHESTER, U. S. A., is closing up his public affairs preparatory to retirement for age, Feb. 15.

MAJOR-GENERAL O. O. HOWARD and Major J. H. Lord, U. S. A., of Governor's Island, paid a brief visit to Washington this week.

LIEUTENANT HARRY FREELAND, 3d U. S. Infantry, left Fort Snelling, Minn., this week, to spend February and March on leave.

LIEUTENANT H. C. HALE, 12th U. S. Infantry, returned to Fort Bennett this week from a pleasant visit to Fort Sully, Southern Dakota.

CAPTAIN P. M. BOEHM, U. S. A., retired, whose headquarters are generally in Brooklyn or New York City, is at present at Alken, S. C.

COLONEL J. E. SUMMERS, U. S. A., retired, of Omaha, is to try the benefits to be derived by a course of treatment at Hot Springs, Ark.

CAPTAIN H. S. HOWE, 17th U. S. Infantry, will leave Fort Bridger, Wyo., in a few days to try the efficacy of the treatment at Hot Springs, Ark.

CAPTAIN J. H. CALET, 2d U. S. Artillery, on sick leave for some time past, has resumed command of his battery at Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island.

AN Atlanta despatch says: "The grip has made its appearance at the barracks, attacking Adjutant S. W. Taylor, 4th U. S. Art., as one of its victims."

LIEUTENANT F. V. KRUG, 8th U. S. Infantry, who is visiting friends at 1920 Wallace street, Philadelphia, has received a month's extension of his leave.

CAPTAINS GEORGE MITCHELL and G. S. Grimes and Lieuts. Lotus Niles and C. P. Townsley, of Fort Adams, were visitors to Fort Preble, Me., this week.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL E. G. BUSH, 11th U. S. Inf., on a few weeks' leave from Madison Barracks, Sackett's Harbor, is visiting friends at Stamford, Conn.

MAJOR J. C. G. HAPPERT, surgeon, U. S. A., of Fort McPherson, Ga., made a pleasant visit to St. Augustine, Fla., this week and met several old friends.

LIEUTENANT C. H. LESTER, 8th U. S. Cavalry, returned to Culpeper, Va., this week from his trip to New York to be examined by the Retiring Board at Governor's Island.

THE widow of a Revolutionary soldier, Mrs. Susan Curtis, of Topsham, Me., still draws a pension, and is 97 years of age. She was 31 years the junior of her deceased husband.

CAPTAIN LEONARD HAY, 9th U. S. Infantry, of Fort Wingate, will spend February and part of March on leave. He has friends in New York who would be glad to see him.

GENERAL B. H. GRIERSON, U. S. A., returned a few days ago to Los Angeles, Cal., from a pleasant visit to San Francisco, where he had a conference with Gen. Nelson A. Miles.

CAPTAIN J. M. ROPES, 8th U. S. Cav., arrived in Chicago, Ill., on Jan. 9, en route to join his regiment, and has been detained in that city sick since that date with La Grippe and acute bronchitis. He was still confined to his room on Jan. 27.

HOSPITAL STEWARD T. V. BROWN, U. S. A., who some years ago wrote an excellent article for the JOURNAL, advocating the canteen system, is now at the Presidio of San Francisco, and the Commandant, Colonel Langdon, in recognition of his experience, has directed him to assist in the organization and management of the post canteen.

COLONEL LEBEL, who invented the French magazine rifle, model of 1886, seems to have been unknown outside of France prior to his connection with the small arm bearing his name. He was 52 years of age. He commanded the 120th Regt. Inf. at Sedan, and is said to have while in that garrison contracted the disease of which he has recently died. After the declaration of peace he was made director of the firing school at the Chalons Camp.

GENERAL G. B. DANDY, U. S. A., was a visitor to Gettysburg, Pa., this week.

GEN. CHARLES G. SAWTELLE, U. S. A., visited old friends in New York City this week.

CAPTAIN G. N. BOMFORD, 18th U. S. Infantry, is visiting at 15 East 11th street, New York City.

MAJOR GENERAL A. H. TERRY, U. S. A., who has been quite ill, is stated to be improving slowly.

ASSISTANT SURGEON CHARLES WILLCOX, U. S. A., left Governor's Island, N. Y., on Tuesday on a short leave.

COLONEL J. G. TILFORD, 9th U. S. Cav., lately visiting at West Point, has had his leave extended two months.

LIEUTENANT M. M. MAXON, 10th U. S. Cavalry, will leave Fort Bayard, N. M., next week, on a short leave.

LIEUTENANT GUY HOWARD, A. D. C., and Mrs. Howard are on a brief visit to the latter's parents at Omaha, Neb.

LIEUTENANT JAMES E. WILSON, 5th U. S. Infantry, is spending a portion of his leave at 183 Columbia street, Brooklyn.

MAJOR JOHN H. BARTHOLOMEW, surgeon, U. S. A., rejoined at Plattsburgh Barracks, N. Y., early in the week from a short leave.

MAJOR GENERAL T. B. STRANGE, of the Royal artillery of the British Army, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Maxim at Pittsfield, Mass.

MAJOR FRANCIS CLARKE, U. S. A., retired, a resident of Detroit, will join the Michigan Commandery of the Loyal Legion next week.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J. S. CONRAD, 23d U. S. Infantry, is a guest at the Grand Hotel, New York City, and will remain for some weeks.

CAPTAIN CHAS. KING, U. S. A., is contributing to the St. Louis Republic a serial story entitled "Sunset Pass or Running the Gauntlet Through Apache Land."

CAPTAIN PHILIP READE, U. S. A., of Major-Gen. Crook's staff, is a recent visitor to St. Paul to attend the meeting of the Association of the Minneapolis National Guard.

DR. W. G. SPENCER, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., left Fort Bridger, Wyo., early in the week for his home in New York, being called there by the sudden death of his mother.

CAPTAIN FRED. FUGER and Lieut. M. K. Barroll, 4th U. S. Artillery, of Fort Barrancas, Fla., were visitors to New Orleans this week and enjoyed the hospitality of Jackson Barracks.

CAPT. CHARLES E. NORDSTROM, 10th Cavalry, has been elected a member of the U. S. Club of New York City. Captain Nordstrom and Mrs. Nordstrom left New York City Wednesday, en route for Washington, D. C.

ONE Bowersmith, who deserted from the 3d U. S. Inf. during the Mexican War, has just been awarded a pension for disabilities contracted in the line of duty during the civil war, as a member of Co. A, 154th Indiana Volunteers.

THE Army Mutual Aid Association has accepted the action of the War department in dropping the name of Col. H. B. Clitz from the rolls of the Army as authority for his decease, and a check was sent to his beneficiary, his mother, this week.

LIEUTENANT WILL T. MAY, 15th U. S. Infantry, who recently relinquished college duty at Greencastle, Md., was presented before leaving with a handsome regulation sword. He has been succeeded by Lieut. R. C. Williams, 15th Infantry.

MAJOR-GENERAL GEO. CROOK, Col. E. C. Mason, Major Evan Miles, Capt. Phil. Reade, Jos. Hale, and M. C. Wilkinson, and Lieut. E. F. Glenn, U. S. Army, have been elected honorary members of the Minnesota National Guard Association.

GENERAL ROBERT AVERY, U. S. A., retired, of Brooklyn, has lost two of his children within a week of diphtheria, one girl of seven years of age and one boy four years of age. Other of his children have also been down, but are improving. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents.

THE Kansas City Times says: "The announcement that Col. Henry Douglass, 10th Inf., has been stricken with paralysis will be sincerely regretted by the Army. The Colonel will be 63 years of age March 9, next, and will if he lives be retired next year. The tone of the telegram, however, does not convey that impression."

A WASHINGTON despatch of Jan. 28 says: "The rumored engagement of Major General Schofield, U. S. Army, to Mrs. Kilpatrick, widow of General Judson Kilpatrick, proved one of the leading and most interesting topics of conversation during the afternoon. Mrs. Kilpatrick, a Chilean by birth, is spending the winter in Washington."

THE Kansas City Times, referring to the late Capt. R. A. Williams, 8th U. S. Cavalry, says: "He left Fort Leavenworth only a short time ago for New York and Europe, expecting to be absent some months, in apparent good health, and his untimely taking off has cast a gloom among his friends here, where a number of his classmates are stationed."

MAJOR JAMES W. REILLY, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., commandant of Augusta Arsenal, Ga., and Mrs. Reilly had a narrow escape from serious injury last week. While out driving a portion of the harness became loose, which caused the horses to run away. They were finally brought to a standstill, and Major and Mrs. Reilly were congratulated on their narrow escape.

THE New York Herald, in an article on the cavalry troop lately mustered into the National Guard of New York, says: "Capt. C. F. Roe, late of the Regular Army, is very popular with his command. He is tall and finely proportioned and a rigid disciplinarian. He is as much at home in the saddle as the ordinary man is in his easy chair. He issues his orders calmly and in a melodious but penetrating baritone that makes the raw recruit tremble."

MAJOR-GENERAL O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A., has consented to review the 7th Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., on Feb. 14, St. Valentine's Day.

LIEUTENANT E. D. SMITH, 10th U. S. Infantry, under recent promotion, bids adieu to friends in Texas and goes to Jackson Barracks, La., for duty with Capt. J. H. Smith's company.

MR. GEORGE K. OTIS, a well known and enterprising business man, and father of Mr. G. K. Otis, of the Quartermaster's Department, U. S. A., in New York City, died in Brooklyn, January 30.

THE Duke and Duchess of Connaught, son and daughter-in-law of Queen Victoria, are fully expected to visit New York and perhaps Washington in June next. Society is already in a flutter.

At the annual meeting of the United States Cavalry Association, held at Fort Leavenworth on Jan. 20, Gen. Wesley Merritt was re-elected president and Lieut. Eben Swift, A. D. C., was re-elected secretary for the year.

SECRETARY OF WAR PROCTOR decided this week to purchase the sword of the late Gen. James Shields, for \$10,000. There are some minor matters of detail to be consummated before the sword will be turned over to the War Department.

PRESIDENT HARRISON has sent a graceful telegram of condolence to King Humbert of Italy expressing his deep sympathy in the great sorrow which has fallen upon the King in the untimely death of his distinguished brother, the Duke of Aosta.

LIEUTENANT W. P. BURNHAM, 6th U. S. Infantry, on leave from Fort Riley, has arrived in New York and is quartered at the Sturtevant House. His marriage to Miss Grace Mescham will take place at Bayonne City, N. J., about the middle of February.

DOCTOR RUSH S. HUIDEKOPER, of Philadelphia, was in Washington this week pushing his plans for the organization of a competent veterinary service for the U. S. Army. The late Gen. Sheridan took an active interest in Dr. HuidEKOPER's work, and Maj.-Gen. Schofield is said to be equally earnest in favor of it.

THE leading event in Washington on Wednesday evening was the Army and Navy Assembly. Gen. Chauncey McKeever, U. S. A., is president, and Commodore George Dewey, U. S. N., vice-president of the Assembly. The guests were received by Mrs. A. R. Carey, niece of the Secretary of War, and Mrs. Wilmerding, daughter of the Secretary of the Navy.

THE following Army officers registered at the War Department during the current week: Col. C. B. Comstock, Engineers; Major Joseph W. Wham, Pay Dept.; 2d Lieut. F. V. Krug, 8th Inf.; 1st Lieut. O. M. Smith, 22d Inf.; 1st Lieut. Alex. T. Dean, 4th Cav.; Maj. Gen. Oliver O. Howard, U. S. A.; Maj. J. H. Lord, Q. M.; Col. John M. Wilson, Engineers; Capt. S. W. Fountain, 8th Cav.; 1st Lieut. J. R. Williams, 3d Art.; Chas. E. Nordstrom, 10th Cav.

THE Vancouver Independent of Jan. 15 says: Lieuts. Hayden and Runcie, 1st Art., are still at Olympia, watching the Legislature. The prevalence of la grippe has interrupted the usual course of festivities in the garrison. Capt. Sharpe has not yet fully established his new office as purchasing commissary in Portland. It will take some time to get it in running order. Lieut. W. A. Kimball, 14th Inf., has been over to Seattle to collect a number of U. S. tents issued for relief purposes after the big fire.

THE Society of the Army of the Potomac, at its last annual meeting, directed that a committee be appointed to prepare a circular and take action respecting the erection of statues to the memory of deceased commanders of the Army of the Potomac. The president of the society, Gen. John G. Parke, on the 24th of January, notified the secretary, Gen. Horatio C. King, of the appointment of the following committee: Hon. E. F. McDonald, chairman, Trenton, N. J.; Gen. W. S. Stryker, Trenton, N. J.; Gen. T. F. Rodenbough, Governor's Island, New York; Col. Wm. C. Church, New York; Capt. A. M. Matthews, Orange, N. J.

In looking over the list of general officers on the active list it is found the average number of years required to become one of that sacred throng is 25 years, and Gen. Ruger just got there on the average. Those who got there in less than the average are Howard (9), Schofield (11), Miles (19), Swain (19), Greely (20), Crook (20), Rochester (21), Macfeely (23), Benét (23)—total, nine. Ruger would be tenth with 25 years, and the others: Merritt (26), Brooks (27), Breckinridge (27), Stanley (31), Holabird (33), Moore (33), Casey (34), Kelton (37), Gibbon (38). Only two went through all the grades in the Regular Army.

THE Salt Lake Tribune urges the selection of Col. T. H. Stanton for Paymaster-General, saying: "He has served continually for twenty-eight years both as a fighting soldier and as paymaster. We publish the above not only without his consent but against his express command. No opponent of his has any such record. He ought to have the promotion. A sterling man is he everywhere, and a most capable one. He is one of the right arms—he has several—of Gen. Crook, and that officer has no use for a soldier who is not a thorough soldier. We sincerely hope that the appointment will be made exclusively on merit. In that case Col. Stanton will be a General."

It is well known that the Army expression of welcome, "Hough," originated in an Indian attempt to say "How d'ye do." Lieut. C. F. Terrett, 8th Inf., informs the Augusta, Ga., Madisonian that it dates back to the time of the Florida War, when Coconocoochee, or Wild Cat, the Seminole chief, observing that the officers used certain expressions, such as "Here's luck," "The old grudge," etc., before drinking, asked "Gofer John," the negro interpreter, what they said. John was puzzled, but finally explained by saying: "It means how d'ye do," whereupon the chief, with great dignity, lifted his cup, and, elevating it above his head, exclaimed in a deep, guttural and triumphant voice, "Hough!" The word was at once adopted by the officers of the 8th Infantry and 2d Dragoons, and as a sentiment spread rapidly throughout the whole Army. Capt. Arthur F. Lee, who served in the 8th Infantry at this time, gives this explanation in his "Army Ballads" of the origin of the expression.



GEN. GREELY, chief signal officer, has reported the disappearance of 2d Lieut. Wm. D. Wright, signal corps, with several hundred dollars in government bonds. He was last seen in New York. His last duty was as assistant to the chief signal officer in the Washington office.

COMMANDER JOHN MCGOWAN, late in command of the U. S. S. *Swatara*, has been ordered home on account of ill health.

LIEUTENANT W. C. BARCOCK, assistant to the Inspector of the 3d Light House District (New York), is visiting friends in Washington.

LIEUTENANT A. E. CULVER, U. S. N., who has recently reported for ordnance duty at the Washington yard, has taken apartments at 1,922 I street.

ENSIGN L. SEMPLE, U. S. N., at present residing in New York City, with law office at 20 Nassau street, will leave the service by resignation Nov. 30 next.

REAR ADMIRAL QUACKENBUSH, U. S. N., who has been confined to his home in Washington with a severe attack of "La Grippe," is slowly improving and hopes soon to be out.

PASSED ASSISTANT ENGINEER WILLIAM L. CATHCART, U. S. N., who has recently resigned, to take effect a year hence, will be located for the present at Hoyt, Montgomery County, Penn.

The Naval Academy turned out in full force on Tuesday to attend the marriage of Ensign John Hood, U. S. N., to Miss Rosalie Caswell, daughter of Pay Inspector T. T. Caswell, U. S. N.

An examination for a cadetship at the Naval Academy will be held Feb. 15, at 9 A. M., at Grammar School No. 3, Grove and Hudson streets, New York City, under the auspices of Congressman Chas. H. Turner.

A DESPATCH from Newport, R. I., Jan. 30, announces that John Brown, coxswain on the U. S. S. *New Hampshire*, has fallen heir to \$140,000, left him by his grandfather, father and uncle, who died some time ago at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

The wife of Lieut. L. L. Reamey, U. S. N., expects to sail from San Francisco for Yokohama, Japan, in the steamer *China*, March 11, to join her husband, who is serving on the personal staff of Rear Admiral Belknap, Commander-in-Chief of the Asiatic Station.

COLONEL W. H. LOVE, of Baltimore, has written to the Governor of Maryland that Miss Elizabeth T. Cross, the only surviving child of Lieut. Joseph Cross, U. S. N., is desirous of returning to the State a sword voted to her father for gallant conduct on the frigate *Constitution*.

"NELLY BLY," just returned to New York from a flying trip around the world, says that when at Yokohama the officers of the *Omaha* gave her a luncheon, and the day she sailed the band on the *Omaha* played for her "Home, Sweet Home," "Hail Columbia," and "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

Among the irresistible of the Navy is Dr. M. L. Ruth, whom Mrs. Cleveland called "the handsomest man in Washington." Dr. Ruth had charge of the Harrison inaugural ball, has been best man at fifty weddings, and will preside at a number of the gay affairs of the next few weeks.—*Philadelphia Press*.

The Engineer Corps of the Navy loses another good officer by the resignation of Asst. Engineer C. E. Manning, which has been accepted, to take effect January 30, 1890. This is the fourth resignation from the Corps during the present month, the others being P. A. Engs. Cathcart and Mattice and Asst. Eng. Wurutz.

The Secretary of the Navy has noted his approval in strong language of the bill recently introduced in the Senate to give ex-Naval Cadet Richard A. Jackson a commission in the naval service for gallant conduct at Samoa. Cadet Jackson was graduated last year, but he stood within the number of those who had to be dropped for lack of vacancies in the naval service.

ADMIRAL LEWIS A. KIMBERLY, U. S. N., who has recently relinquished the command of the U. S. naval force on the Pacific coast, was tendered a reception by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce January 30. There were over 7,000 people present. Brief speeches were made by ex-Gov. Perkins, Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., and Adml. Kimberly. The admiral left for his home in Boston the next day.

PROF. SOUSA, the leader of the Marine Band, has received, through the State Department, a copy of the new Portuguese national hymn. It seems, says an exchange, that whenever a new ruler ascends the throne of Portugal, the court-musician has to grind out a new tune, which is the national hymn until the ruler passes in. Long-lived men in Portugal consequently find it wearing on their memory to keep up with the different national airs.

The orders of last week detaching Commander J. B. Coghlan from the command of the *Mohican* and directing him to report to the commandant of the Mare Island Navy Yard are preliminary to his trial by court-martial on charges of scandalous conduct in writing a three-column letter to the *Vallejo Chronicle* condemning the management of affairs at the Mare Island Navy Yard and growling about the Navy generally. A synopsis of this letter appeared in the *JOURNAL* of January 11. The charges and specifications are now in course of preparation in the office of the J. A. G. of the Navy.

The following extract from a letter written by Wilkie Collins at the time the discussion of the best hundred books was started, and republished in Appleton's *Literary Bulletin* for January, will be read with pleasure by the many friends of the present Engineer-in-Chief of the Navy: "Dr. Kane (in 'Arctic Explorations') and Mr. George Melville (in 'The Lena Delta') are neither of them consummate masters of the English language, but they possess the rare and admirable gift of being able to make other people see what they have seen themselves. When you meet with travellers who are unable to do this you will get nothing out of them but weariness of spirit." shut up their books."

THE following-named officers have registered at the Navy Department during the past week: Capt. G. C. Wiltse, Lieut.-Commander S. W. Very, Lieut. E. K. Moore, Lieut. P. V. Lansdale, Paymasters J. Q. Barton and J. A. Ring.

LIEUTENANT W. W. KIMBALL, U. S. N., and Mrs. Kimball were in the fourth set of the Sir Roger de Coverley Quadrille, which opened the Charity ball at Hartford, Conn., on Tuesday evening, Gov. Bulkeley and Mrs. Col. Colt leading the dance.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER CLIFFORD H. WEST, Flag Secretary of the U. S. Naval Force on the Asiatic Station, left per *Verona*, Jan. 5, at daylight, for the United States via India and Europe. The *Japan Gazette*, Yokohama, Jan. 4, says: "The severance of his connection with the American Asiatic Squadron cannot fail to create very considerable regret in this community. His courtesy and many other qualities have made him one of the foremost favorites aboard the men-of-war flying the flag of the Stars and Stripes who visit this station. We, in common with many others, wish kindly, courteous West a pleasant voyage and as happy relations ashore as have been mutually enjoyed here. Lieut.-Commander West will be succeeded by Lieut. L. L. Reamey."

The *Boston Globe* in an account of the wedding, Jan. 22, on board the *Wabash*, of Ensign J. H. Shipley, U. S. N., to Miss Fannie Bayard Carpenter, daughter of Captain C. C. Carpenter, U. S. N., says: "There was a large attendance of friends and well-wishers of the happy pair from the highest circles of naval and civil society, and the old *Wabash* decorated so often before was never so embellished as on this occasion. Rev. Henry Hovey, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church of Portsmouth, performed the ceremony. The groom, accompanied by his best man, Lt. W. O. Hulme, ascended from the ward-room hatch and stood before the altar, while the bride, leaning upon the arm of her father advanced, preceded by her page and her little maid of honor, Reginald Carpenter and Catharine Stevenson, bearing baskets of flowers, and followed by her mother, her two sisters, Josephine and Marie, her three brothers, Harry, Dudley and Carroll, and the following ushers: Lieut.-Comdr. Merry, Surg. F. P. Stephenson, Lieut. William Winder and Paymr. J. F. Tarbell. The return of the bridal party to the cabin was made with the strains of the Mendelssohn march, and over a pathway of flowers. For an hour the starboard cabin was the scene of hearty congratulations from the throng of guests. Soon after 9 o'clock all hands were piped below to the gundeck, where, seated upon the stairs, and a variety of improvised seats, lovely maids and matrons were helped to the choicest productions of Mrs. Carpenter's cuisine by gallant tars and landmen. After supper dancing was resumed upon the spar-deck and scores of nimble feet kept up a merry patter until midnight."

#### RECENT DEATHS.

A VETERAN officer of the Army, Brevet Brig.-Gen. Robert Emmet Clary, colonel on the retired list, died Jan. 19 at his residence in Washington. Gen. Clary was born in Ashfield, Mass., in 1805 and entered the Military Academy from Massachusetts in 1823, was graduated in 1823 and promoted to 5th Infantry. In 1836 he was promoted 1st Lieutenant, and in 1838 was appointed an assistant quartermaster with the rank of Captain. On May 17, 1861, he was promoted quartermaster with the rank of major, and was at the time chief quartermaster of the department of Utah, with station at old Camp Floyd. His service during the war was important, and in recognition of it he received the brevets of colonel and brigadier general. In 1866 he attained the grade of colonel and assistant quartermaster-general and was retired Feb. 22, 1869, under the act of July 17, 1862, being over 62 years of age. Gen. Clary was twice married. His first wife was Miss Esther Phillipson, a St. Louis belle, and Jefferson Davis was best man at the wedding. Gen. Clary's five children were born by this marriage. Two died in childhood, but Robert grew to be a captain in the Army, 2d U. S. Cavalry, and died during the civil war. A daughter married the late Gen. Stone, famous as "Stone Pasha" for his services in Egypt. Gen. Clary's second wife was a Miss Eaton of Boston, and she survives him. His father was clerk at the National Armory for many years and had five sons and seven daughters. The only son now alive is Commodore A. G. Clary, U. S. Navy, retired, who is abroad; but, five of the daughters are alive, one of them being Mrs. Caroline Saxton of Washington.

CHIEF ENGINEER JOHN P. KELLY, U. S. Navy, who was recently transferred from the Naval Hospital at Chelsea, Mass., to St. Elizabeth's Asylum for the Insane at Washington, died at the asylum January 27. His health broke down some months ago when he was on duty on the *Atlanta* in the West Indies, and he was ordered home. He became rapidly worse in body and mind, and his death was not unexpected. Chief Engineer Kelly had a long record of honorable service, entering the Navy as 3d Assistant Engineer in 1861, and attaining, March 12, 1883, the grade held by him at time of death.

LIEUTENANT WILLIAM A. MOFFATT, 2d U. S. Inf., who has been sick for some time past, died at the Government Hospital, Washington, D. C., January 25. He served as an enlisted man from January 12, 1871, to June 24, 1880, when he was promoted to 2d Lieutenant, 2d Inf. The remains were interred on Wednesday, with military honors, in the Arlington National Cemetery.

A DESPATCH referring to the death, Jan. 28, in Philadelphia, of Mrs. Priscilla Decatur Twiggs, aged 89, says: "She was the niece and adopted daughter of Commodore Stephen Decatur, who burned the frigate *Philadelphia* in the harbor of Tripoli, and who was killed by Commodore Barron. Her father, Captain James McKnight, was killed in service. Her uncle, Lieut. James Decatur, was shot by a Turk after he had surrendered his vessel. Commodore Decatur sought out the assassin and shot him through the head. Priscilla Decatur married Major Levi Twiggs, of the Marine Corps, who was shot while leading his marines in the attack on Chapultepec. Her only son, Lieut. George Decatur Twiggs, was killed a short time before in an attack on the batteries at Puerto Nacional, Mexico."

MRS. SUSAN PARKER HAYES, who died in New York City Jan. 23, was the oldest and sole surviving daughter of Commo. Bainbridge, U. S. N., who commanded the frigate *Constitution* in the famous battle with the *Java* in the war of 1812. When a girl the Commodore became commandant at the Charleston Navy-yard. There she met and married Thomas Hayes, who had served on her father's staff. Mrs. Hayes's sister was Mrs. Admiral Hoff, and Commander William Bainbridge Hoff, U. S. Navy, is her nephew. The remains were interred at Woodlawn.

THE New York Commandery of the Loyal Legion, in an obituary notice of the late Capt. George H. Cook, Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. A., says: "During more than twenty years of Army life after the war, Companion Cook occupied many positions of responsibility and trust, many that demanded the exercise of high executive ability, and the possession of a mind actuated only by unswerving loyalty to duty. And it can be truly said of him that his record as an Army officer, as a gentleman, as a man, is unsullied."

CAPTAIN WILLIAM BARRYMORE, for about 20 years master of tugs at the New York Navy-yard, died of apoplexy and vertigo Jan. 24, at his home in Stratford, Conn., after a brief illness. He was appointed Mate, U. S. N., in 1861, promoted Acting Ensign and Acting Master in 1863, and honorably discharged Dec. 13, 1865. He was afterward appointed to his position at the New York Yard.

CHARLES W. READ, who died at Meridian, Miss., Jan. 25, was a graduate of the Naval Academy, was promoted midshipman, June 15, 1860, and resigned Feb. 4, 1861, to join the Confederate Navy, where he rose to captain. He did many deeds of desperate valor during the war and was twice made prisoner. He suffered much during his last illness but bore the pain unflinchingly.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM KENNEDY, who died recently at St. Andrews, Manitoba, was, forty years ago, an object of interest to both America and Europe, he having been selected to take command of the expedition fitted out by Lady Franklin to go in search of her husband, Sir John Franklin, in the Arctic Sea.

A SAN FRANCISCO despatch of Jan. 29 says: "Mrs. McVean, wife of Surg. A. C. McVean, of Jefferson Barracks, died at Truckee, Monday, of diphtheria, while on one of the delayed westbound trains." We presume Dr. McVean is a contract surgeon, as his name is not on the Army Register.

ADDISON M. SAWYER, who died at Athol, Mass., Jan. 24, was the inventor of the "Sawyer Gun," used during the War of the Rebellion. He also made other improvements in ordnance which were adopted by the Government.

GENERAL LESTER B. FAULKNER, a distinguished officer of New York Volunteers during the war, died Jan. 27 at Dansville, N. Y.

MR. JOHN H. PLUNKETT, brother of the late Paymaster George Plunkett, U. S. N., died at Wilmington, Del., Jan. 22.

GENERAL RADEZKY, a distinguished Russian officer, is dead.

#### FIFTY-FIRST CONGRESS—FIRST SESSION.

The first naval measure of the session to pass both Houses is the bill introduced by Mr. Bontelle, for the issue of duplicate certificates of discharges to those who served in the Navy and Marine Corps who lost the originals. It passed the house Jan. 24, and the Senate Jan. 30.

The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, at its meeting on Wednesday, acted favorably on all the naval nominations sent in this week except the appointment of Comdr. Wm. M. Folger to be Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance. Action was suspended in his case until Tuesday next, when the representatives of Knights of Labor of the District of Columbia will be allowed a hearing in opposition to his confirmation. As their grievances were not considered of sufficient importance to deter the President in making the appointment, it is not at all likely that the committee will attach much importance to their charges, which on the whole are rather complimentary to Comdr. Folger than otherwise, for they plainly show that he conducted the affairs of the Washington Navy Yard in the interest of the Government and not for partisan purposes. No other business of importance was transacted by the committee this week.

The Senate Military Committee in reporting favorably the bill to place James T. Peale on the Army retired list says: "That Captain Peale was indiscreet can not be denied, but having already been severely punished and disgraced for his misdemeanor, there is no good reason why this offence should not be palliated and condoned when his 18 long years of faithful and meritorious services in the Army are considered, with health completely shattered from disease contracted while languishing in rebel prisons and from arduous service in the field, which incapacitate him from earning a livelihood in civil employment, and it is granting him but a small boon to put him on the retired list of the Army, where he should have been long ago."

The Senate Naval Committee has made a favorable report on the bill giving Rear Admiral S. P. Carter the pay of a Rear Admiral on the retired list from the date of his promotion to that rank. The session of the Senate Military Committee on



Thursday was taken up in hearing Gov. Beaver of Pennsylvania and Gen. Bacheiler, the historian of the Gettysburg Association, in support of the bill to mark the lines of battle and positions of troops of the Army of Northern Virginia at Gettysburg. The nominations of Babbitt and Lissak went over to the next meeting.

The following special estimates were presented in the House this week from the Secretary of War through the Secretary of the Treasury: For hospital building, etc., for enlisted men at the West Point Military Academy, \$75,000. For buildings for canteens at military posts, \$150,000. For improvement of grounds, etc., on Indianapolis arsenal, \$30,110. For water supply at Watervliet avenue, \$5,510. Additional buildings at Fort Myer, Va., to accommodate one more company of cavalry, \$66,410. For purchase of books for post libraries, \$9,000. For mountain guns, carriages, etc., \$26,000.

The Chamber of Commerce of St. Paul, Minn., has petitioned Congress through Senator Washburn for an appropriation of \$75,000 for beautifying the Fort Snelling military reservation.

The House has passed the bill H. R. 495, recently reported by the Naval Committee authorizing Secretary of Navy to issue certificates of honorable service to those who have served in the U. S. Navy or Marine Corps who have lost their discharges.

The House Military Committee on Tuesday last, acted favorably upon bills providing for the sale of Fort Bliss military reservation and the purchasing of a new site; for the retirement of General Fremont with the rank of major-general, and appropriating \$40,000 for furnishing and opening the branch soldiers' home at Marion, Ind.

The House Committee on Naval Affairs at its meeting on Tuesday, decided to report favorably the bill which passed the Senate Jan. 23, authorizing Rear-Admiral C. H. Baldwin to accept a diamond snuff box presented by the Czar of Russia; also H. R. 3298 for the relief of the sufferers on the naval vessels wrecked at Samoa. This measure was amended so as to include Chief Engr. Geo. W. Hall and Lt. F. Heath, who, through an oversight were left out of the original bill. The bill introduced by Mr. Lodge authorizing the transfer of the Revenue Marine was favorably reported by the sub-committee, but was not finally disposed of by the full committee. The bills which passed the Senate last week, S. 539 to increase the efficiency of the Navy, and S. 540, amending existing laws in regard to the naming of vessels, were referred to the sub-committee, the former going to the committee on rank and pay and the latter to the committee on construction and repair and steam engineering.

The House Naval Committee in their report on H. R. 3301, relating to the mates of the Navy, now 83, say: "In view of the long, faithful and valuable service of these men, some of whom are now on the leave or waiting orders pay of \$500 per year, the committee believe that it will be but simple justice to grant them the benefits of longevity pay and of the retired list now enjoyed by warrant officers, and therefore recommend that bill H. R. 3301 do pass, with the following:

*Provided, however,* That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to authorize any increase of pay for any time prior to the passage of this act.

#### BILLS INTRODUCED.

S. 355. Granting a pension of \$2,500 a year to Mrs. Judson Kilpatrick was reported Jan. 22 with an amendment, changing the amount to \$100 a month.

S. 2188, Mr. Quay. For marking the lines of battle and the positions of troops of the Army of Northern Virginia at Gettysburg, Pa.

S. 2251, (Mr. Frye, for Mr. Sherman.) Providing for the promotion, payment and retirement with the rank of major of cavalry, of Capt. John A. Lynch, late A. Q. M., U. S. Vols.

S. 3276, Mr. Blodgett. To adjust, upon principles of equity and justice, the accounts of Rodman M. Price, late purser in the U. S. Navy, and acting navy agent at San Francisco, Cal., crediting him with the sum paid over to and received for by his successor, Jan. 14, 1880, any sum that may be found due him upon such adjustment.

S. 2294, Mr. Dawes. To place Elmer A. Snow on the retired list of the U. S. Army with the rank and pay of a 2d lieutenant of mounted service.

S. 2296, Mr. Stanford. For the relief of the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, Cal., by allowing them for the construction of the cruiser *Charleston*, the full contract price for such construction without enforcing the claim penalty of \$33,384 for the apparent deficiency on the trial trip of \$33,84 H. P.

S. 2301, Mr. Stewart. Appropriates \$12,000 for the establishment of fish hatcheries on military reservations and the introduction and acclimation of foreign game.

S. 2351, Mr. Squire. To allow Brig.-Gen. George P. Ibric, late colonel and additional A. D. C. of the U. S. Army on the staff of Gen. U. S. Grant, \$1,610.70, for balance due and unpaid to him for travel-pay from New York City, New York, where he was honorably discharged, because of protracted illness, from the service of the United States, to San Francisco, Cal., his place of residence, via the Isthmus of Panama, in 1863, before the through construction of any transcontinental railroad.

S. 2365, Mr. Manderson. To grant a bounty of \$10 a month for each month of service to the soldiers of the Regular Army who served in the war for the Union.

S. 2367, Mr. Cockrell (by request). That the President of the United States be, and hereby is, authorized to nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint the said John L. Broome, now a lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps on the retired list, a colonel in the Marine Corps, and to place him with the rank of colonel on the retired list of the Marine Corps. A preamble recites that Lt. Col. Broome was recommended for promotion to senior lieutenant colonel by a board consisting of Admirals Farragut, Davis, Dahlgren and Porter, "for bravery and highly meritorious services in battle, and the said report was never made public by the then Secretary of the Navy, and was not filed in the archives of the Navy Department, and was taken by the then Secretary of the Navy upon his retirement to his home, and was never delivered to his successor, and the recommendation of said board was not known by or communicated to said Broome for nearly 30 years thereafter."

S. 2372, Mr. Cameron. To provide for the organization and rate of pay of a Veterinary Corps of the United States Army.

S. 2374, Mr. Vest (by request). To appoint and retire Charles Baushaf, late 10th Cavalry, as lieutenant.

S. 2377, Mr. Hawley. Authorizing the enlistment of 1,500 men for service in the Quartermaster's Department of the Army.

S. 2303, Mr. Pierce. To place James W. Foley, late commissary sergeant, upon the retired list of the Army.

H. R. 5371, Mr. Osborne. Relative to the Inspector General's Department of the Army, and the more thorough examination of accounts. That the Inspector General's Department of the Army shall hereafter consist of the Inspector General, with the rank, pay and emoluments of brigadier general; four assistant inspectors general, with the rank, pay and emoluments of lieutenant colonel; and four deputy inspectors general, with the rank, pay and emoluments of major; *Provided*, That the vacancies in the grade of colonel and lieutenant colonel created by this act shall be filled by the promotion by seniority of the officers now in the Inspector General's Department; and that thereafter appointments to fill vacancies in the Inspector General's Department, and promotions therein, shall be made in conformity with sections 1129, 1130 and 1204 of the Revised Statutes of the U. S., and in the same manner as in the other staff departments of the Army. And all laws or parts of laws conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. That there shall be allowed to each officer of the Inspector General's Department, when on duty, one civilian clerk, whose compensation and traveling allowances when changing station or on temporary duty required by the need of the Service shall be the same as those clerks allowed to officers of the Pay Department.

Sec. 3. That there shall be allowed to each officer of the Inspector General's Department, when on duty, one civilian messenger, whose monthly compensation shall be the same as messengers allowed to the Adjutant General's Department.

Sec. 4. That there shall be allowed the Inspector General's Department one expert accountant, to aid in the more thorough examination of the money accounts of disbursing officers of the Army, whose annual compensation shall be \$2,500.

H. R. 5394, "to increase the efficiency of the Inspector General's Department," is the same as this, except that it omits the four colonels and assistant inspectors general, and adds the following section:

Sec. 5. That nothing herein shall be construed to interfere with the rank or position of any officer now holding a commission in the Inspector General's Department.

H. R. 5408, Mr. Lodge, (by request.) To organize the commissary detachment of the United States Army. That from and after the passage of this act there shall be a subsistence detachment which shall consist of one baker for each garrisoned post, and, if necessary, one or more as assistant bakers, who shall be regularly enlisted for, and permanently attached to the subsistence department.

Sec. 2. That the pay of bakers of the subsistence detachment shall be \$35 per month, with the increase on account of length of service as is now or may hereafter be allowed by law to other enlisted men. They shall be entitled to the same allowances, in kind, of quarters, fuel, and lights, as a post quartermaster-sergeant.

Sec. 3. That the enlisted bakers of the subsistence detachment shall, so far as practicable, be taken by transfer from enlisted men who have served at least two years in the line, and who desire to enter the detachment. The period of service shall be the same as that of other enlisted men of the Army.

Sec. 4. That members of the subsistence detachment shall not be required to perform any military duties other than those pertaining to their detachment. They shall not be required to attend reviews, parades, or other military ceremonies, but shall be inspected and mustered at the post bakery, to which they are attached.

Sec. 5. That there shall not be at any garrisoned post containing more than six companies, or batteries, or four troops of cavalry, only one baker, and for each additional four companies or three troops, one assistant: *Provided further*, That any post-baker who is engaged alone, at any military post containing more than six companies, shall receive an additional \$5 each month for every two companies extra.

H. R. 5409, Mr. Lodge, (by request.) Provides for the following organization:

1 Veterinary Surgeon General, major of cavalry.  
1 Veterinarian, captain of cavalry.  
10 " 1st lieutenants of cavalry.  
10 " 2d lieutenants of cavalry.

To be appointed from graduates of veterinary colleges who shall be examined by a board to consist of the Veterinary Surgeon General and two officers of the Medical Department and be classified in rank according to order of merit. All veterinarians who at the passage of this act shall be in the employ of the U. S. Army, may be granted three months leave of absence, with full pay, for the purpose of procuring themselves for examination, or if they so elect, shall, on the recommendation of their regimental commander, be appointed veterinary surgeon, with rank, allowances, and pay of 2d lieutenant of cavalry, but shall hold no higher position, except by examination as herein provided.

The Secretary of War is granted power to increase the number of veterinary surgeons and to after appoint from time to time a veterinary examining board, which shall consist of the veterinary surgeon general and two veterinarians of the United States Army Veterinary Corps, to examine candidates for the position of veterinarian and for the promotion of veterinarians to such vacancies as may hereafter occur in the senior positions in the United States Army Veterinary Corps; promotion to the rank of captain to be by seniority.

Sec. 3. That applicants for positions in the United States Army Veterinary Corps, except such as are employed at the time of the passage of the act) must comply with the same preliminaries as are now required of candidates for admission to the Army Medical Corps.

H. R. 5415, Mr. Boutelle. Granting the Fort Sullivan Military Reservation to the town of Eastport, Me., for a public park.

H. R. 5944, Mr. Robertson. To reorganize the band of the United States Military Academy.

H. R. 5969, Mr. Barnes. Making the United States arsenal, near Augusta, Georgia, an arsenal of manufacture, construction and repair.

H. R. 5976, Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama. To provide for the printing of additional copies of the Records of the War of the Rebellion.

H. R. 5982, Mr. Cutcheon. That to enable the Secretary of War to make monthly payment to the Army the number of paymasters in the Army with the rank of major shall be 35.

H. R. 5986, Mr. Osbourne. Appropriates \$50,000 for the erection of a monument to the late Brig.-Gen. James S. Wadsworth, U. S. V., in Washington.

H. R. 5989, Mr. Obeadle. Appropriates \$500,000 to provide for a gun factory for finishing and assembling of field guns and other ordnance on the arsenal grounds in Indianapolis, Indiana, and \$5,000 to pay the expenses of a Board of three Army officers to report upon the most suitable plant.

H. R. 6108, Mr. Rusk. That from and after the passage of this act ensigns in the Navy shall be entitled to promotion to be lieutenants of the junior grade after being 16 years in the Service: *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall be construed to increase the total number of officers now allowed by law in the Navy: *Provided further*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to change the order of precedence of officers in their respective corps.

## THE ARMY.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, President and Commander-in-Chief.

REDFIELD PROCTOR, Secretary of War.

G. O. 8, H. Q. A., Jan. 20, 1890.

By direction of the Secretary of War, from and after January 1, 1890, and until further orders, the annual money clothing allowance of band sergeants and band musicians, authorized by paragraph 237 of the Regulations, will be the same as that for company sergeants and privates of the respective arms from which they may have been detailed. Such articles of band uniforms, including music pouches, as do not form part of the annual money allowance to which they are authorized by this order, will be issued but not charged to them, except in case of loss or damage, and the allowance fixed for these articles (page 9, General Orders, No. 52, Headquarters of the Army, 1889) will be adhered to. The accompanying table shows the annual money allowance to which band sergeants and musicians will be entitled under the provisions of this order.

(Table omitted.)

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:  
J. C. KELTON, Adjutant General.

G. O. 9, H. Q. A., Jan. 20, 1890.

Publishes orders from the War Department of Dec. 2, 1889, directing under the provisions of the first section of the act approved July 5, 1884, the transfer of the military reservation of Fort Lyon, Colo., to the Secretary of the Interior for disposition, the same being no longer required for military purposes.

G. O. 10, H. Q. A., Jan. 20, 1890.

By direction of the Secretary of War paragraph 31 of the Regulations is amended to read as follows:

31. Non-commissioned officers who are under twenty-one or over twenty-nine years of age, or who are married, are not eligible for promotion to the grade of 2d lieutenant, and will not be examined for such promotion. The limits of age in the cases of civilian candidates are twenty-one and twenty-seven years.

By command of Major.-Gen. Schofield:  
J. C. KELTON, Adjutant-General.

CIRCULAR A, WAR DEPT., Jan. 20, 1890.

The following letter, received from the Treasury Department, is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,  
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 15, 1890.

To the Secretary of War, Washington, D. C.:

SIR: The Department is advised that in some instances through a misunderstanding of the provision of law exempting from duty "articles imported for use of the United States," books and other articles purchased by and intended for the use of employees of the Government have been included in packages of articles imported for the use of the United States and admitted to entry free of duty.

The Department has heretofore decided that articles imported by officers of the Government for use in connection with their official duties are not exempt from duty under said provision of law unless such articles are imported for the use and as the property of the United States.

I would therefore suggest that requests for the admission free of duty of articles imported for your Department should contain a statement that such articles are imported as the property of the United States.

Respectfully, yours,

W. WINDOM, Secretary.

By order of the Secretary of War:  
J. C. KELTON, Adjutant-General.

G. O. 2, DEPT. OF THE PLATE, Jan. 16, 1890.

Gives instructions as to post gardens. During the growing season all products of the post garden not intended for winter use will be distributed pro rata by the officer in charge, under instructions from the post commander, among the several organizations of the garrison at such times as will best suit the interests of all concerned.

G. O. 3, DEPT. OF CALIFORNIA, Jan. 20, 1890.

The target season for small arms is as follows:

Alcatraz Island, Cal., April 15 to June 15; Angel Island, Cal., April and June; Benicia Barracks, Cal., April and May; Fort Bidwell, Cal., May and June; Fort Gaston, Cal., March and April; Fort Mason, Cal., and Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., April and May.

CIRCULAR 3, DEPT. OF THE MISSOURI, Jan. 21, 1890.

Publishes extract from a report by the Inspector-General of the Department in regard to condemnation of public property, etc., and says: "The Department Commander has had occasion several times in endorsements to call the attention of officers concerned to features of this general subject. It is assumed that officers having the good of the Service at heart will not need any further cautions in this direction. It is hereby ordered that the remedial measures against the careless use or destruction of public property recommended by the Inspector-General of the Department shall be taken also as to the keeping of property book, and charging of tools, etc., to employees and enlisted men. Hereafter the cost prices of articles submitted for inspection will, when practicable, be entered on the inventory by the responsible officer. As is indicated in the report, much waste can be prevented by the making of timely repairs on articles of camp and garrison equipage and quartermaster's stores, unrepairable only in part, and the local quartermaster should be held responsible that this is done. Also repairs of accoutrements and equipments of foot companies as well as of mounted troops, may, under A. R. 1734, be made by the post ordnance officer when they cannot be made in the organizations. In all these matters the responsibility of the post commander must be kept in view and it is hoped that by an intelligent use of his authority the care and precaution mentioned below may be made effective in larger saving to the Government."

#### STAFF CORPS AND DEPARTMENTS.

##### Quartermasters and Subsistence Departments.

Lieut.-Col. George B. Dandy, Dep. Q. M. G., will proceed to the Gettysburg National Cemetery, Pa., on public business (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

Major A. S. Kimball, Q. M., Los Angeles, Cal., will proceed to San Francisco, Cal., on official business (S. O. 3, Jan. 18, Div. F.)

Lieut.-Col. Charles G. Sawtelle, Dep. Q. M. G., will proceed to David's Island, N. Y., on public business (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

Comy. Sergt. William F. Eckhardt, Ft. Bliss, Tex., will proceed to Fort Grant, Ariz. Ty., to relieve Comy. Sergt. George M. Berkel, who will proceed



to Fort Mojave, Ariz. Ty., to relieve Comy. Sergt. Arthur J. Judd, who will proceed to Ft. Bliss, Tex., for duty (S. O., Jan. 25, H. Q. A.)

#### Pay Department.

S. O. 159, assigning Major J. C. Muhlenberg to payments due at Fort Canby, is amended to direct Major J. P. Canby, paymr., to make the payment (S. O. 5, Jan. 14, D. Columbia.)

Major Thaddeus H. Stanton, P. D., will pay the troops at Fort Sheridan and Rock Island Arsenal, Ill. (S. O. 9, Jan. 28, Div. Mo.)

The troops in Div. Atlantic will be paid on muster of January 31 as follows: Col. Rodney Smith, Asst. P. M. G.—Governor's Island, N. Y. H., and Frankford Arsenal, Pa. Major George E. Glenn, paymr.—David's Island, Fort Wood, Fort Wadsworth and Fort Hamilton, N. Y. H., Major Asa B. Carey, paymr.—Willels Point and Fort Schuyler, N. Y. H.; Sandy Hook, N. J., and West Point, N. Y. Major George W. Baird, paymr.—Fort Warren and Watertown Arsenal, Mass. Major Francis S. Dodge, paymr.—Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., and Fort Porter and Fort Niagara, N. Y. Major John S. Wither, paymr.—Allegheny Arsenal, Pa.; Newport Barracks, Ky., and Columbus Barracks, O. Major W. H. Conneys, paymr.—Ft. McPherson, Ga. (S. O. 23, Jan. 28, Div. A.)

#### Medical Department.

Act. Asst. Surg. S. T. Weirick will proceed from Fort Apache, Ariz. Ty., to Fort Stanton, N. M., and report for duty (S. O. 7, Jan. 10, D. Ariz.)

Capt. B. D. Taylor, asst. surg., is detailed member of the G. C. M. at Ft. Sill (S. O. 8, Jan. 17, Dept. Mo.)

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Leave for one month is granted Capt. William G. Spencer, asst. surg., Ft. Bridger, Wyo. (S. O. 4, Jan. 20, D. Platte.)

Act. Asst. Surg. Robert H. Finley, Fort Sidney, Neb., will proceed to Fort Bridger, Wyo., and report for temporary duty (S. O. 4, Jan. 20, D. Platte.)

Leave for 15 days is granted Major Johnson V. D. Middleton, surg. (S. O. 4, Jan. 25, H. Q. A.)

The extension of leave granted Captain C. N. Berkeley Macauley, asst. surg., is further extended one month (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.)

William F. Hatfield, act. hosp. steward, Ft. Keogh, Mont., will proceed to Fort Maginnis, Mont., and report for temporary duty (S. O. 8, Jan. 13, D. Dak.)

A furlough for two months is granted Hosp. Steward Thomas Dawson, Fort Gibson, I. T. (S. O. 9, Jan. 21, Dept. Mo.)

Upon the subject of admission to post hospitals of domestic servants of officers: "The Secretary of War is of opinion, and so decides, that officers' servants can not, as a matter of right, be admitted to post hospitals for treatment. They are resident civilians not in the public service, and while as a matter of comity, it has been the practice to afford the medical attendance while inmates of officers' households, no proper claim can be founded upon such practice."

#### Engineers and Ordnance Departments.

1st Lieut. Frank D. Hobbs, O. D., will proceed from South Bethlehem, Pa., to Thurlow, Pa., on public business (S. O., Jan. 25, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Stanhope E. Blunt, O. D., will proceed to Hartford, Conn., on public business connected with the inspection of Colt's revolvers and Gatling guns (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Almon L. Varney, O. D., will proceed from the Watertown Arsenal, Mass., to the South Boston Iron Works, Boston, Mass., on Feb. 1, 5, 18 and 20, 1890, on public business (S. O., Jan. 29, H. Q. A.)

#### Signal Corps.

Sergt. Martin L. Hearn, S. C., will, upon his return to duty, from absence on account of sickness, assume charge of the station at San Diego, Cal. (S. O. 6, Jan. 22, Sig. Office.)

#### THE LINE.

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

#### 3rd Cavalry, Colonel Albert G. Brackett.

Hdqs., H. Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; F and M, Ft. Clark, Tex.; B, C, G, and L, San Antonio, Tex.; D, Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; I and K, Ft. Brown, Tex.; A, Camp at Eagle Pass, Tex.; E, Camp Pena Colorado, Tex.

1st Lieut. James O. Mackay will proceed to Nevill's Springs and relieve 2d Lieut. Edmund D. Smith, 19th Inf., from command of the Seminole Negro-Indian scouts (S. O. 4, Jan. 16, D. Tex.)

#### 4th Cavalry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton.

Hdqs., E. and G, Ft. Lowell, Ariz.; A, F, I, and M, Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; C and H, Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; D, Ft. McDowell, Ariz.; B, Ft. Myer, Va.; K, Ft. Verde, Ariz.; L, San Carlos, Ariz.

The extension of leave granted 1st Lieut. Alexander T. Dean is further extended ten days (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.)

#### 5th Cavalry, Colonel James F. Wade.

Hdqs., B, C, G, and K, Ft. Reno, Ind. T.; E and H, Ft. Willott, Tex.; D and L, Ft. Sill, Ind. T.; A, F, and I, Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; M, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Unassigned Recruit Joseph E. Cusack, 5th Cav., has been assigned to Troop C (Capt. Hall's). Young Cusack is the son of Capt. Patrick Cusack, 9th Cav., and has joined the Army with the intention to go before a Board after two years' service and become a gallant and brave officer like his father.—Kansas City Times.

#### 6th Cavalry, Colonel Eugene A. Carr.

Hdqs., A, C, F, H, I, and K, Ft. Wingate, N. M.; E and M, Ft. Lewis, Colo.; D and L, Ft. Stanton, N. M.; B, Ft. Myer, Va.; G, Ft. Union, N. M.

Sergt. Samuel Murdock, Troop A, Fort Wingate, is detailed for duty on recruiting service, and will be sent about March 1 to Boston, Mass., reporting to Capt. Henry M. Kendall (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.)

#### 7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, G, I, L, and M, Ft. Riley, Kas.; E, F, H, and K, Ft. Sill, Ind. T.

1st Lieut. C. A. Varnum is detailed member of the G. C. M. at Fort Sill (S. O. 8, Jan. 17, Dept. M.)

2d Lieut. J. F. Bell will proceed to Rock Island Arsenal on public business (S. O. 8, Jan. 17, Dept. M.)

#### 9th Cavalry, Colonel Joseph G. Tilford.

Hdqs., B, F, I, and K, Ft. Robinson, Neb.; A and G, Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; D and H, Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; E, Ft. Washita, Wyo.; C and M, Ft. Du Chesse, Utah (Post-office address via Ouray, Utah); L, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

The extension of leave granted Col. Joseph G. Tilford is further extended two months (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.)

#### 10th Cavalry, Colonel Benjamin H. Grierson.

Hdqs., A, B, E, and H, Ft. Apache, A. T.; K, Ft. Thomas, A. T.; I, San Carlos, A. T.; D, L, and M, Ft. Bayard, N. M.; C, F, and G, Ft. Grant, A. T.

Leave for twenty-one days, to take effect about Feb. 2, is granted 1st Lieut. M. M. Maxon (S. O. 8, Jan. 17, D. Ariz.)

Col. Benjamin H. Grierson will proceed to San Francisco, Cal., and report at Div. Hdqs. on official business (S. O. 3, Jan. 18, Div. F.)

#### 2nd Artillery, Colonel John Mendenhall.

Hdqs., C, G, and H, Ft. Adams, R. I.; L, Ft. Trumbull, Conn.; E, Ft. Noble, W. Va.; B and D, Ft. Warren, Mass.; A, Ft. Riley, Kas.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; I, Ft. Monroe, Va.; K and M, Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y.

Capt. William McK. Dunn will inspect hospital property at Fort Preble, Me., for which Capt. William B. Davis, Post Surg., is responsible (S. O. 24, Jan. 29, Div. A.)

#### 3rd Artillery, Colonel Horatio G. Gibson.

Hdqs., A, C, E, H, K, and L, Washington Bks., D. C.; D, G, and I, Ft. McHenry, Md.; B and M, Ft. Monroe, Va.; F, San Antonio, Tex.

2d Lieut. John P. Hains (late Adtl. 2d Lieut., 1st Art.), will repair from the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., to Washington Barracks, D. C., for duty with his battery—A (S. O., Jan. 29, H. Q. A.)

Sergt. Thomas Cobbe, Bat. B, Fort Monroe, will be sent to Hot Springs, Ark., to enter the Army and Navy General Hospital (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

#### 4th Artillery, Colonel Henry W. Closson.

Hdqs., C, D, K, and L, Ft. McPherson, Ga.; B, Ft. Adams, R. I.; F, Ft. Riley, Kas.; H, Ft. Monroe, Va.; I, Jackson Bks., La.; M, Ft. Barrancas, Fla.; E and G, St. Francis Barracks, Fla.

Leave for ten days is granted Capt. Harry C. Cushing, Fort Adams, R. I. (S. O. 21, Jan. 25, Div. A.)

Leave for eleven days, to commence about Feb. 9, is granted 2d Lieut. Alfred M. Hunter, Fort Barrancas, Fla. (S. O. 24, Jan. 29, Div. A.)

Major Henry C. Hasbrouck will inspect cartridge bags at Fort Barrancas, for which 1st Lieut. Peter Leary is responsible (S. O. 25, Jan. 30, Div. A.)

#### 5th Artillery, Colonel Alex. Piper.

Hdqs., E, F, I, and H, Ft. Hamilton, N. Y.; A, C, and L, Ft. Columbus, N. Y.; G, Ft. Monroe, Va.; B, Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y.; D, Ft. Douglas, Utah; K and M, Ft. Schuyler, N. Y.

Major A. C. Wildrick will inspect camp and garrison equipage and ord. and ord. stores at Fort Schuyler, for which the C. O. Bat. K is responsible (S. O. 22, Jan. 27, Div. A.)

#### 5th Infantry, Colonel Nathan W. Osborne.

Hdqs., B, and E, Ft. Bliss, Tex.; I and K, Ft. Davis, Tex.; C and F, Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; A and G, Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; D, Ft. Brown, Tex.; H, Ft. Hancock, Tex.

Capt. Henry Romeyn will report in person at Dept. Hdqs. on public business (S. O. 4, Jan. 16, D. Tex.)

#### 6th Infantry, Colonel Alex. McD. McCook.

Hdqs., C and G, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; A, B, and E, Ft. Lewis, Colo.; D and H, Ft. Riley, Kas.; F, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.; I, Newport Barracks, Ky.; J, Ft. Gibson, Ind. T.

The C. O. Columbus Barracks will assign twenty-five recruits to the 6th Inf., and forward them, under charge of Capt. James W. Powell, Jr., to Fort Leavenworth (S. O. 15, Jan. 21, Rec. Ser.)

#### 7th Infantry, Colonel Henry C. Merriam.

Hdqs., B, D, F, and G, Ft. Logan, Colo.; C and E, Ft. Laramie, Wyo.; A and H, Camp Pilot Butte, Wyo.; I, Ft. Washakie, Wyo.; K, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Leave for two months, to take effect about Feb. 20, with permission to apply for an extension of two months, is granted 2d Lieut. Abraham P. Buffington (S. O. 8, Jan. 25, Div. M.)

The following transfers are ordered: 1st Lieut. Francis Woodbridge, from Co. C to Co. D; 1st Lieut. George W. Melver, from Co. D to Co. C (S. O., Jan. 29, H. Q. A.)

#### 8th Infantry, Colonel Alfred L. Hough.

Hdqs., B, C, F, and I, Whipple Bks., A. T.; E, San Diego Bks., Cal.; A, Ft. Mojave, A. T.; D, Ft. McDowell, A. T.; G, Ft. Huachuca, A. T.; K, Ft. Wingate, N. M.; H, Ft. Verde, A. T.

The leave for one month granted Capt. Leonard Hay is extended one month (S. O. 2, Jan. 15, Div. P.)

#### 10th Infantry, Colonel Henry Douglass.

Hdqs., B, and I, Ft. Marcy, N. M.; C and H, Ft. Union, N. M.; A and E, Ft. Crawford, Colo.; D, Ft. Stanton, N. M.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; G and K, Oklahoma, I. T.

The regimental commander of the 10th Infantry, upon an application by him for permission to visit the companies of his regiment, was informed that his regiment would be transferred to the North in the spring, in view of which such an inspection at this time is not advisable.—Kansas City Times.

#### 11th Infantry, Colonel Richard I. Dodge.

Hdqs., A, D, G, H, and I, Madison Bks., N. Y.; E and K, Ft. Niagara, N. Y.; B, Fort Wood, N. Y. H.; C, Ft. Ontario, N. Y.; F, Plattsburgh Bks., N. Y.

The leave for seven days granted Lieut.-Col. E. G. Bush, Madison Barracks, is extended twenty days (S. O. 22, Jan. 27, Div. A.)

Major John H. Page will inspect subsistence stores at Fort Niagara, for which 3d Lieut. E. L. Loveridge, A. C. S., is responsible (S. O. 24, Jan. 29, Div. A.)

#### 12th Infantry, Colonel Edwin F. Townsend.

Hdqs., E, G, H, and I, Ft. Yates, N. D.; A, B, C, and D, Ft. Sully, S. D.; K, Ft. Bennett, S. D.; F, Ft. A. Lincoln, N. D.

Leave for one month, to take effect about Feb. 4, is granted 2d Lieut. Earl C. Carnahan, Fort Sully (S. O. 7, Jan. 16, D. Dak.)

#### 13th Infantry, Colonel Montgomery Bryant.

Hdqs., H, Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; I, Ft. Elliott, Tex.; C, Ft. Reno, Ind. T.; F, Ft. Riley, Kas.; A, Ft. Sill, Ind. T.; K, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; D and E, Little Rock Bks., Ark.; B, Camp at Guthrie, I. T.; G, Camp Wade, near Lisbon, I. T.

2d Lieut. M. B. Saffold, Post Q. M., Fort Supply, will repair to Forts Riley and Leavenworth on public business (S. O. 8, Jan. 17, Dept. M.)

Capt. J. B. Guthrie and 1st Lieut. C. S. Hall are

detailed members of the G. C. M. at Fort Sill, I. T. (S. O. 8, Jan. 17, Dept. M.)

1st Lieut. B. H. Gilman is detailed member of the G. C. M. at the Military Prison, Fort Leavenworth (S. O. 9, Jan. 21, Dept. M.)

The extension of leave on Surgeon's certificate granted 1st Lieut. Thomas S. Mumford is further extended two months on Surgeon's certificate (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.)

Sergt. Joseph Bailey, Co. I, for drunkenness to such an extent as to require treatment in hospital, was fined \$80. The court was thus lenient on account of the long honorable service of the accused, and refrained from sentencing him to be reduced to a private because of his service of thirteen years as a non-commissioned officer and the testimony of his company commander that the sergeant was more than usually valuable in such a capacity.

#### 14th Infantry, Colonel Thomas M. Anderson.

Hdqs., B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and K, Vancouver Bks., Wash.; A, Ft. Townsend, Wash.; I, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

The C. O. Vancouver Barracks will send Sergt. Willis E. Morgan, Co. F, to Fort Klamath for temporary duty (S. O. 1, Jan. 2, D. Columbia.)

Sergt. Edwin A. Hogen, Co. K, is detailed for duty on recruiting service, and will be sent to Cleveland, O., reporting to Capt. Gilbert S. Carpenter (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.)

#### 16th Infantry, Colonel Matthew M. Blunt.

Hdqs., B, D, E, G, H, and I, Ft. Douglas, Utah; A, C, F, and K, Ft. Du Chesse, Utah.

The leave for seven days granted 2d Lieut. Capers D. Vance, Fort Du Chesse, is, for urgent reasons, extended twenty-three days (S. O. 4, Jan. 20, D. Platte.)

#### 19th Infantry, Colonel Charles H. Smith.

Hdqs., A, E, G, H, I, and K, San Antonio, Tex.; B and F, Mt. Vernon Barracks, Ala.; C, Ft. Barrancas, Fla.; D, Jackson Barracks, La.

2d Lieut. E. D. Smith, Nevill's Springs, will join his company at San Antonio (S. O. 4, Jan. 16, D. Tex.)

Sergt. Michael Mullen, Co. C, has been appointed regimental quartermaster-sergeant.

#### 20th Infantry, Colonel Elwell S. Otis.

Hdqs., B, C, D, E, G, H, and K, Ft. Assiniboine, Mont.; A, Ft. Maginnis, Mont.; F and I, Camp Poplar River, Mont.

#### 21st Infantry, Colonel Henry A. Morrow.

Hdqs., A, C, E, G, and I, Ft. Sidney, Neb.; D, F, and H, Ft. Bridger, Wyo.; B, Ft. Douglas, Utah; K, Ft. McKinney, Wyo.

2d Lieut. James W. McAndrew, having reported from Youngstown, O., will proceed to David's Island and report to conduct recruits ordered to the 17th Inf. (S. O. 15, Jan. 21, Rec. Ser.)

The furlough for four months granted Sergt. George Stuart, Co. F, is extended two months (S. O. 9, Jan. 23, Div. M.)

Sergt. John E. Reeb, Co. F, under treatment at Hot Springs, having been reported recovered, will be sent to his company at Fort Bridger (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.)

#### 22nd Infantry, Colonel Peter T. Swaine.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, F, H, and K, Ft. Keogh, Mont.; E and G, Ft. Totten, N. D.; I, Ft. A. Lincoln, N. D.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Oskaloosa M. Smith is extended ten days (S. O., Jan. 29, H. Q. A.)

#### 23rd Infantry, Colonel Henry M. Black.

Hdqs., F, G, H, and I, Ft. Wayne, Mich.; A and B, Ft. Brady, Mich.; C and D, Ft. Porter, N. Y.; E and K, Ft. Mackinac, Mich.

#### 25th Infantry, Colonel George L. Andrews.

Hdqs., G, H, I, and K, Ft. Missoula, Mont.; B, C, E, and F, Ft. Shaw, Mont.; A and D, Ft. Custer, Mont.

(For Late Army Orders see page 442.)

Appointments, etc., of Commissioned Officers and Retired Enlisted Men, U. S. A., recorded in the A.-G. O. during the week ending Jan. 25, 1890.

#### CASUALTIES.

Colonel Robert E. Clary (retired), died January 19, 1890, at Washington, District of Columbia.

Captain Richard A. Williams, 8th Cavalry, died January 20, 1890, at New York City, New York.

2d Lieutenant William Moffatt, 2d Infantry, died January 25, 1890, at Government Hospital, Washington, District of Columbia.

#### Courts-martial.

The following courts have been ordered:

At Fort Bayard, N. M., Jan. 21. Detail: Major Frederick Van Vleet, 10th Cav.; Capt. Charles C. Hood and Frederick M. Crandal, 24th Inf.; Capt. Stevens T. Norvell and Alexander S. B. Keyes, 10th Cav.; Capt. William H. Arthur, Asst. Surg.; 1st Lieut. William Black, 24th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Percy E. Tripple and 2d Lieut. Herbert S. Whipple, 10th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Joseph D. Leitch, 24th Inf., and 2d Lieut. Charles L. Collins, 24th Inf., J.-A. (S. O. 7, Jan. 16, D. Ariz.)

At Fort Sully, S. D., Jan. 23. Detail: Capt. Alexander B. MacGowan and John L. Viven, 2d Lieut. Daniel F. Anglum, Harry C. Hale, and Earl C. Carnahan, 12th Inf., and 2d Lieut. George J. Godfrey, 12th Inf., J.-A. (S. O. 7, Jan. 16, D. Dak.)

At Fort Robinson, Neb., Jan. 27. Detail: Major Edgar H. Kellogg, Capt. William S. Worth, Clarence M. Bailey, and Augustus W. Corlies, 8th Inf.; Capt. Martin B. Hughes and 1st Lieut. Henry H. Wright, 9th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Edgar Hubert, 8th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Eugene F. Ladd, 9th Cav.; 2d Lieut. George W. Ruthers, 8th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Philip A. Bettens, Jr., and Guy H. Preston, 9th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Alexander R. Piper, 8th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Charles Young, 9th Cav., and 2d Lieut. William D. McAnaney, 9th Cav., J.-A. (S. O. 4, Jan. 20, D. Platte.)

At Fort Keogh, Mont., Jan. 27. Detail: Major John A. Wilcox, 8th Cav.; Capt. Platt M. Thorne, William Conway, and Will W. Daugherty, 23d Inf.; 1st Lieut. Josiah H. King, 8th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Frank B. Jones and Edward O. C. Ord, 2d Lieut. Trevelw W. Moore and William M. Swaine, 23d Inf.; 2d Lieut. Alvin H. Sydenham, 8th Cav.; 2d Lieut. William A. Phillips, 23d Inf., and 2d Lieut. William E. Bruce, 23d Inf., J.-A. (S. O. 9, Jan. 20, D. Dak.)

At Camp at Oklahoma City, I. T., Jan. 27. Detail: Lieut.-Col. Simon Snyder, Capt. D. F. Stiles and C. S. Burbank, 10th Inf.; 2d Lieut. W. S. Biddle, Jr., 10th Inf.; 2d Lieut. C. L. Foster, 5th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Charles Crawford, 10th Inf., and 2d Lieut. W. H. Wilhelm, 10th Inf., J.-A. (S. O. 10, Jan. 22, Dept. M.)

At Fort Preble, Me., Jan. 29. Detail: Capt. William McK. Dunn, 2d Art.; Capt. William B. Davis, Asst. Surg.; Capt. George Mitchell and George S. Grimes, 1st Lieut. Edwin S. Curtis and Lotus Niles, R. Q. M., 3d Art.; 1st Lieut. Clarence P. Townsley, 4th Art., and 2d Lieut. Ernest Hinds, 2d Art., J.-A. (S. O. 31, Jan. 25, Div. A.)

At Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., Jan. 31. Detail: Capt. William B. Beck, Charles Morris, and Benjamin K. Roberts, 1st Lieut. John McEllan, Oliver E. Wood, and Edward T. Brown, and 2d Lieut. John D. Miley, 5th Art., and 2d Lieut. Sidney S. Jordan, 5th Art., J.-A. (S. O. 24, Jan. 23, Div. A.)

At Fort McHenry, Md., Feb. 3. Detail: Capt. John R.



Myrick and Edward C. Knower, 1st Lieuts. Charles Sellmer, John R. Williams, and Charles G. Woodward, 2d Lieuts. John K. Cree and George O. Squier, 3d Art., and 1st Lieut. Wilbur Loveridge, 3d Art., J. A. (S. O. 25, Jan. 30, Div. A.)

#### Army Boards.

Boards of Officers are constituted to meet, for the purpose of appraising each building and other improvements, separately, on the respective military reservations, viz.: Fort Crawford—Capt. S. H. Lincoln, 10th Inf.; Capt. J. L. Phillips, Med. Dept., and 1st Lieut. I. W. Little, 10th Inf. Fort Elliott—Capt. William Auman, 13th Inf.; Capt. W. B. Schuyler, 5th Cav., and 3d Lieut. M. J. O'Brien, 13th Inf. Fort Gibson—Capt. J. P. Schindel, 6th Inf.; Capt. W. O. Owen, Jr., Med. Dept., and 2d Lieut. B. W. Atkinson, 6th Inf. Fort Lewis—Capt. Stephen Baker, 6th Inf.; Capt. W. H. Carter, 6th Cav., and 1st Lieut. Z. W. Torrey, 6th Inf. (S. O. 8, Jan. 17, Dept. M.)

A Board of Survey, to consist of Lieut.-Col. O. D. Greene, A. G. Dept.; Capt. C. W. Whipple, Ord. Dept., and 1st Lieut. Charles Dodge, Jr., A. D. C., will meet at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., Jan. 21, to report upon a quantity of ink received from the Medical Purveying Depot at St. Louis, Mo., in a broken and frozen condition (S. O. 9, Jan. 21, Dept. M.)

A Board of Survey, to consist of Capt. Erasmus C. Gilbreath, 11th Inf.; Capt. John O. Skinner, Asst. Surg., and 2d Lieut. William Weigel, 11th Inf., will meet at Fort Ontario, N. Y., Jan. 31, to inquire into the circumstances attending the loss of certain clothing for which 1st Lieut. H. O. Heistand, 11th Inf., A. A. Q. M., is responsible (S. O. 23, Jan. 28, Div. A.)

#### DEPARTMENT NEWS.

##### Division of the Atlantic.—Maj.-Gen. Howard.

A CHICAGO despatch of Jan. 27 says: "Western despatches charge that Gen. Crook has been badly deceived by the Apache Indians at Mt. Vernon Barracks, who recently told him such tales of their suffering and want that he recommended their removal to Fort Sill. Gen. Crook is quoted as saying: 'I certainly would not form a plan to move the Apaches if there was any probability of their turning like snakes upon the Government. The Apaches are broken in spirit and humbled to the dust. Geronimo, the once great warrior is now a heap hooded Injun. He is teaching a Sunday school class, and has lost all hatred of the white people. These Indians would be only too glad to accept this removal as an opportunity to further their civilization and better their condition.'"

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

##### FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH.

THE principal gayeties of Douglas for this season terminated Jan. 21 in a grand masquerade ball, which was an immense success.

In November the "bachelors" gave a pretty German, with an original figure by Lieut. Woodbury, who also led on that auspicious occasion. Christmas came, bringing more than its usual measure of happy surprises and lovely things.

Mrs. Captain Jocelyn, 21st Inf., had a "tree" for her little daughter, Louise, to which the officers' children were invited.

General and Mrs. Penrose were the pleased recipients of a fine portrait of the General's aged mother, and of a visit from their interesting son, Lieut. Charles Penrose, 11th Inf. Numerous beautiful presents were received and sent away. Colonel and Mrs. Blunt, as is their custom, playing royal Santa Claus.

New Year's was quiet, only a recognition of the old custom—calls in full dress.

We had a good operatic troupe from New York at the Salt Lake theatre during the holidays.

Just at present, Lieut. and Mrs. Sage, 5th Art., are giving a series of dinners.

Interspersed with these elaborate affairs, have been evening card parties, sleigh rides, small suppers to friends, etc. We can boast of a "light form" of "La Grippe," too.

In the memory of the sainted Mormon there is no such deep snow as now covers this valley, and makes these glorious mountains indescribably grand as they lose themselves in the clear blue firmament above.

With all the railway accidents our JOURNAL has come safe, for which we are thankful. Accept our well wishes for its success in this new year of 1890.

E. J. P.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

##### FORT ASSINIBOINE, M. T.

ON Jan. 20 a melo-drama, entitled "A Box of Monkeys," was rendered by officers and ladies of the garrison. The cast was as follows: Mrs. Oudego-Jones, of 5th ave., Miss Mary Manley; Siera Bengaline, a prairie flower, Mrs. E. H. Webber; Lady Guinevere Llandpoor, an English exotic, Mrs. F. D. Sharpe; Edward Ralston, a Western miner, Lieut. G. H. Macdonald; Chauncey Oglethorpe, Ralston's partner, Lieut. Edward Anderson. The play was imitable. Spiced here and there with rare tid-bits of wit and a song, the audience was in almost one continuous state of laughter during the entertainment. All did well, and it is sincerely hoped that they will again favor us at no distant day. The manager, stage decorator, property man, carpenter, etc., of the above play was Professor J. Francis Huston, to whom the company feels greatly indebted for his manifold services.

Masters Richard and Anatol La Garde recently gave a lunch party to the young people of the post. Dancing followed the lunch, and the children enjoyed themselves hugely.

Assiniboine scorns anything short of the genuine imported article, and consequently have taken to La Grippe with a vengeance. The surgeon reports some 15 or 20 cases. Miss Jaynes, of Toledo, O., a niece of Capt. F. K. Ward, 1st Cavalry, is the latest addition to the social circle.

The weather of late has been very cold, but what with drills, signal duties, schools, essay writing, etc., together with milder forms of excitement, such as hops, progressive euchre and whist parties, entertainment and social duties, the winter passes as if by enchantment. SPECTATOR.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

##### FORT MCKINNEY, WYOMING.

JAN. 22 was a sort of gala day—a handsome reception at the quarters of Colonel and Mrs. Henry, in honor of Lieutenant Stevens and his bride. The table was beautifully decorated. A most dainty meal was served. The first toast—"To those who have been brides, those who hope to be, and particularly to our bride, Mrs. Stevens"—was drunk with gusto, the Fort McKinney orchestra striking up as all drank. Many and witty were the toasts; the only and one—"To the memory of our late chief, General Hatch, a soldier"—was drunk in silence and with much feeling.

While we enjoy ourselves socially, we are not backward in soldiering, and the officers' recitations each week on all subjects embraced in the theory and art of war would show that each one is alive to the importance of a soldier's duty, well learnt and done. For twenty consecutive days in January the thermometer has averaged four degrees above zero, and yet we do not feel the cold, but the fuel goes, and hence the one-half increase is appreciated.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

##### FORT CLARK, TEXAS.

THE headquarters 3d Cavalry have gone to Fort McIntosh, so we no longer have two headquarters at Clark. Col. Lazelle is now in command, and Adjutant Turner and Quartermaster Anderson are filling their respective positions.

The concert Friday evening by the 18th Infantry band was well attended by the men and the officers and ladies at the post.

The weekly hops have been given up, as they were so poorly attended, and now a hop will be held once in two weeks, and light refreshments will be served each time. It is hoped that this change will arouse more interest than has heretofore been shown.

"La Grippe" has got a good hold at Fort Clark, there being over 70 cases of it in the hospital.

A TELEGRAM was received a few days since conveying the sad news of the death of the mother of Capt. Robert F. Bates, 18th Inf. The captain has the heartfelt sympathy of his many friends in the post.

There seems to be an epidemic of some kind of fever raging in this post at present.

Lieut. David C. Shanks, 18th Inf., left for Fort Davis, Tex., a few days ago on Court-martial duty.

Work has been commenced on repairing the rifle range for this year's practice.

Col. Lazelle has adopted a useful as well as instructive method in the officers' recitations. This consists of papers on some military subject prepared by some officer and read by him at the next recitation. The paper is fully discussed. Great interest is manifested by all officers.

##### FORT RILEY, KAS.

THE Junction City News says:

Gen. Innis N. Palmer, U. S. A. (retired), and Mrs. Palmer were the guests of Capt. Pond last week.

Gen. Forsyth gave a reception, Jan. 21, in honor of Col. John M. Bacon and wife.

Mrs. W. S. Edgerly entertained the ladies and officers of both garrisons Wednesday evening.

Lieut. W. P. Burnham, 6th Infantry, left for the East, Jan. 22, accompanied by his father, Capt. D. R. Burnham, 10th Infantry.

S. R. H. Tompkins, 7th Cavalry, who has been confined to his quarters by sickness, is out again.

Lieut. T. Q. Donaldson, Jr., Seventh Cavalry, has returned from his visit to South Carolina.

Lieut. L. R. Hare, 7th Cavalry, ill with influenza, is now improving.

Col. and Mrs. Williston have both been confined to their quarters by severe colds for several days.

A January thaw is upon us and the ice houses not yet filled.

##### FORT SUPPLY, I. T.

THE Times says:

Chaplain Pierce has been giving readings from "Old Curiosity Shop," with magic lantern illustrations. Rumors of operettas and plays fill the air, and one is almost afraid to make an evening call lest he should expose himself to a rehearsal and "catch it."

Word comes from our genial friend, Dr. Powell, that he has been down with "the grip" for several days in Richmond, Va.

The vacant quarters along the line are rapidly filling up.

Lieut.-Col. James Biddle, 5th Cavalry, has reported for duty.

To the delight of everybody Lieut. and Mrs. Goe are back again. Mrs. Goe has been absent about eight months. Her rare musical ability makes her absence from the garrison a decided loss.

Col. Bryant has also returned from an extended visit to the famous Mormon city and other places in the West. She was accompanied by a relative, Miss Fagan, who will remain for some weeks, and in whose honor her hostess is arranging for a masquerade ball.

Mr. J. M. Ferguson, of our post trader's firm, and a prospective millionaire by virtue of the operations at the mouth of the Brazos River, Texas, has recently been commissioned as postmaster.

##### SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

THE Express says:

Capt. Vance, 19th Inf., who has been on a visit for some time at the post, has gone to Washington.

The sick report at the post continues unusually heavy. It is very probable that drills and parades will again be discontinued.

The Military Social Club will hold a business meeting on Thursday.

Capt. Wells Willard, lately assigned to duty as assistant to the chief commissary, will make his home in San Antonio for lack of public quarters at the post.

Capt. Henry Romeyn, 5th Infantry, detailed to conduct prisoners under sentence to Fort Leavenworth, left Saturday, Jan. 25, over the International road.

The large Siberian bloodhound tied in the rear of B troops quarters belongs to Col. Young, and was brought by him from Laredo, where he was attached to the army uniform, and a sort of constable's attachment for citizen's trousers that happen along with the owner's leg in them.

##### FORT LEAVENWORTH.

THE Kansas City Times says:

For December the gross receipts of the canteen reached \$2,192.45, and expenses \$1,441.57, leaving clear profits for that month of \$681.88, or a total for the month and 26 days of \$1,125.46. The men are getting better pleased with the canteen management each day, and such changes are made from time to time as will best subserve their interests and that of the Service.

##### COURT-MARTIAL CASES.

In the case of a soldier recently tried at Madison Barracks the reviewing authority, Major-Gen. Howard, says: "The finding of guilty is disapproved. An analysis of the evidence shows that the court has overlooked the fact that under the first and second specifications the only valid testimony in support is that of Private Wilhelm, who confesses to have had a serious quarrel with the prisoner. All the additional testimony called to support these two specifications is substantially hearsay; in other words, the repetition of information obtained from the chief witness. Under the third specification, the threat to kill, which is the gist of the charge, is introduced into his testimony by Private Wilhelm alone, the evidence of the other witnesses for the prosecution not only omitting all reference to the threat, but giving a very harmless turn to the significance of what the prisoner did probably say: while, by one of the prosecutor's witnesses, Wilhelm is flatly contradicted by a denial that the prisoner used the words ascribed to him by Wilhelm, or anything tantamount to them." In this condition of the evidence offered by the prosecution, and without reference to the favorable character established by the prisoner during a service of three years and over, the reviewing authority is of the opinion that the finding might well have been an acquittal. The prisoner will be restored to duty."

##### FORT D. A. RUSSELL, WYO.

ON Jan. 18 our post amateurs gave "Meg's Diversion," a two-act comedy in Garrison Hall. Many Cheyenne society people were present and the large audience was delighted with the play. In the cast were Mrs. Ogle, Misses Lockwood and McCuen, Capt. Sharp, Lieuts. Friar, Lockwood and Kerr and Dr. Appel.

## THE NAVY.

BENJAMIN F. TRACY, Secretary of the Navy.

### NAVAL VESSELS IN COMMISSION.

WHEN AND WHERE LAST HEARD FROM.

#### N. Atl. Station.—R.-Adml. Bancroft Gherardt.

GALENA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. George W. Summer. Cruising in the West Indies. At Cape Haytian, Jan. 9. Intended to proceed thence to Port-au-Prince and vicinity. Address care of Navy-yard, New York.

KEARSARGE, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. H. Elmer. Cruising in West Indies. At Cape Haytian, Jan. 9. Same address as Galena.

YANTIC, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. Charles H. Rockwell. Arrived at Curacao Jan. 19, which will be her address until Feb. 10. After that date, Key West, Fla.

DOLPHIN, 3d rate, 4 guns. Comdr. Charles O'Neil. At Cape Haytian, January 9. Arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 12, for coal, and intended to proceed thence to Port-au-Prince, to embark Minister Douglass for San Domingo City. Address same as Galena.

#### S. Atlantic Station.—Act. Rear Adml. J. H. Gullis.

Mails should be addressed to the care of the U. S. Consul, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, unless otherwise noted.

RICHMOND, 2d rate, (flagship), 14 guns, Capt. Allen V. Reed. Arrived at Montevideo, Uruguay, Jan. 20.

TALLAPOOSA, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. James M. Forsyth. At Montevideo last accounts.

#### European Station.—Squadron of Evolution.—Acting Rear Admiral John G. Walker.

Address of squadron is care of B. F. Stevens, No. 4 Trafalgar Square, London, England.

CHICAGO, flagship, 1st rate, 14 guns, Capt. H. B. Robeson. Reported by cable at Gibraltar, Jan. 23, and at Barcelona, Jan. 30.

ATLANTA, 2d rate, 8 guns, Capt. John A. Howell. Same as Chicago.

BOSTON, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain J. O'Kane. Same as Chicago.

YORKTOWN, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander F. E. Chadwick. Same as Chicago.

ENTERPRISE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. B. H. McCalla. At Dartmouth, England, last accounts, with Minister Pendleton's remains on board, and intended to sail for New York. It is presumed that she is now en route to New York.

#### Pacific Station.—Actg. Rear Adml. Geo. Brown.

Address all mail (unless otherwise noted) for the present to Navy Pay Office, San Francisco Cal.

Admiral Kimberly has transferred the command of the Pacific Squadron to Adml. Brown at the Navy-yard, Mare Island, Jan. 27.

CHARLESTON, 2d rate, 8 guns, flagship, Capt. G. C. Remy. At Mare Island, Cal.

ADAMS, 3d rate, 6 guns, Lieutenant-Commander J. J. Hunker (in temporary command). At Apia, Samoa. When relieved by *Iroquois* will proceed to Honolulu.

Commander James G. Green has been ordered to command this vessel upon arrival at Honolulu.

INOQUOIS, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. Joshua Bishop. En route to Gilbert and Marshall Islands, and thence to Apia, Samoa, to relieve the *Adams*.

ALERT, 3d rate, 4 guns. At Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal. Has been ordered out of commission.

MOHICAN, 3d rate, 10 guns, temporary flagship, Commander J. B. Coghlan. At Honolulu. Commander E. M. Shepard has been ordered to command her steamer of Feb. 8.

MONONGAHELA, sails, 2 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. W. C. Gibson. At Navy-yard, Mare Island. Orders have been given for her to proceed to New York. Will be used as a training ship for apprentices.

NIPISIC, 3d rate, 6 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. H. W. Lyon. At Honolulu. Commander G. E. Wingate has been ordered to command this vessel, and leaves San Francisco for Honolulu, Feb. 8.

PINTA, 4th rate, 4 howitzers. Lieut.-Comdr. O. W. Farenholt. At Sitka, Alaska.

#### Asiatic Station.—Rear Admiral G. E. Belknap.

Mails should be addressed, Yokohama, Japan, unless otherwise noted.

MARION, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. N. M. Dyer. At Chemulpo, Korea, Dec. 20.

MONOCACY, 3d rate 6 guns. Comdr. M. L. Johnson. Sailed from Yokohama December 12 for Shanghai and Chinkiang, and ports on the Yangtze River.

OMAHA, 2d rate, (flagship), 12 guns, Captain B. J. Cromwell. At Yokohama Dec. 30.

PALOS, 4th rate, 7 howitzers. Lieut. Comdr. J. E. Craig. At Nagasaki Dec. 20.

Lieutenant Commander Holman Vail has been ordered to command this vessel, and leaves San Francisco for Yokohama Feb. 15.

SWATARA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. J. McGowan, Jr. Arrived at Nagasaki, Japan, Dec. 20.

Commander P. H. Cooper has been ordered to command this vessel, and leaves San Francisco for Yokohama on Feb. 15.

#### Apprentice Training Squadron.

JAMESTOWN, 12 guns. Comdr. B. P. Lamberton. Cruising in the West Indies. Arrived at St. Thomas, Jan. 23. Will proceed to Port Royal, S. C. Address Port Royal, S. C.

PORTSMOUTH, 12 guns, Comdr. John Schouler. Sailed from New York Jan. 4 for a cruise in the West Indies. Reported by cable to have arrived at Barbadoes, W. I., Jan. 30.

Address mail as follows—in each case care of U. S. Consul: From Jan. 26 to March 1, Port Spain, Trinidad, W. I.; March 2 to March 23, Island of St. Thomas; after latter date Hampton Road, Va.

MINNESOTA, 19 guns, Capt. G. O. Wiltse. Receiving ship for boys. Foot of W. 27th Street, North River. Entrance from W. 26th Street. P. O. address, Station E, New York.



NEW HAMPSHIRE, 8 howitzers, Receiving Ship for boys. Comdr. F. J. Higginson. Coaster's Island, Harbor, Newport, R. I.

#### On Special Service.

#### AND AWAITING ASSIGNMENT.

ALLIANCE, Commander H. C. Taylor (was put in commission Jan. 17). At Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va. Will be ready for sea about March 1.

BALTIMORE, Captain W. S. Schley. At Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va., where she will complete her preparations for sea. When completed will be sent to Baltimore, Md.

DESPATCH, 4th rate, Lieut. Wm. S. Cowles. At Washington, D. C.

FORTUNE, tug, Lieut. Comdr. A. J. Iverson. Vessel engaged in carrying freight between the several navy-yards. Present address Navy-yard, New York.

MICHIGAN, 4th rate, 6 guns, (2 howitzers and 2 galleys). Commander Geo. H. Wadleigh. At Erie, Pa.

PETREL, 4th rate, 4 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Brownson. At Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va.

PENSACOLA, 2d rate, 16 guns, Captain Arthur R. Yates. Arrived at Cape Town, South Africa, Jan. 18. All well. Address care of B. F. Stevens, No. 4 Trafalgar square, London, England.

RANGER, 3d rate, 1 gun, Lt.-Comdr. G. C. Reiter. Surveying on the coast of Lower California. Address care Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.

SARATOGA, Comdr. F. M. Green, nautical school-ship of Pennsylvania. At Philadelphia, Pa. Address 16 North Delaware avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

ST. MARY'S, sails, 8 guns, Comdr. A. S. Crowninshield. N. Y. Public Marine School. At New York.

THELIS, 3d rate, 2 machine guns, Lieut. Comdr. Charles H. Stockton. At Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal.

#### Receiving Ships, Iron-Clads, Etc.

DALE, Commander Yates Stirling. Receiving Ship. Navy-yard, Washington, D. C.

FRANKLIN, 30 guns, Capt. A. P. Cooke. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va.

INDEPENDENCE, 7 howitzers. Capt. J. W. Philip. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal.

PHLOX, Naval Academy Tug. Mate B. G. Perry in command. Annapolis, Md.

ST. LOUIS, sails, Comdr. E. C. Merriman. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, League Island, Pa.

VERMONT, 1 gun. Capt. L. A. Beardslee. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, New York.

WABASH, 20 guns, Captain C. C. Carpenter. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Boston, Mass.

The armor-clads *Ajax*, *Catskill*, *Canonicus*, *Lehigh*, *Manhattan* and *Wyandotte*, in command of Comdr. Felix McCurley, are laid up near Richmond, Va. P. O. address, Richmond, Va.

#### VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

The keel of the new 3,000-ton steel cruiser No. 7, was laid early Jan. 28, at the Brooklyn Navy-yard.

A DESPATCH from Gibraltar, Jan. 27, reports an interchange of courtesies on the previous day between Admiral Walker, of the Squadron of Evolution, and the British Vice-Admiral and the Deputy Governor in the absence of the Governor. On the evening of the 26th Admiral Walker and Captains Howell and O'Kane and Commander Chadwick were entertained at dinner by Horatio J. Sprague, United States Consul here. On the 27th Rear Admiral Tracy, of H. M. S. Anson, entertained Admiral Walker and his fleet officers, and they also dined with Capt. Buckle at his residence on shore. Other invitations were on hand for entertainments.

ATTORNEY GENERAL MILLER has given an opinion to the Secretary of the Navy that the laws relating to trials of naval officers by Court-martial do not prescribe that the person to be tried shall be furnished at the time of his arrest with a copy of the charges against him, but require merely that he shall be furnished with such copy at the time he is brought up for trial. The opinion is based on the case of Ensign Ormsby, who has taken legal steps to have the sentence of dismissal in his case set aside because he was not furnished with a copy of the charges against him at the time of his arrest. The Attorney General sustains the legality of the action of the Navy Department in this case.

It has not been definitely determined yet what naval vessel will be selected to transport the remains of the late John Ericsson to his native country, but the secretary has informed the executors of the deceased that a naval vessel will be detailed for the purpose. It is quite likely that the *Enterprise*, if in condition when she arrives in New York with the remains of Minister Pendleton, will perform that service and then rejoin the European station. The alliance, which has recently been put in commission at Norfolk, is also spoken of. It was stated some days ago that the *Baltimore* would cross the Atlantic on this mission and then join the squadron of evolution, but we are informed that such is not the intention. She will visit Baltimore for a few days, after being fitted out at Norfolk, and will then join the North Atlantic station as flagship.

#### NAVY GAZETTE.

##### Ordered.

JAN. 24.—Acting Boatwain Henry Hudson, to duty under the General Storekeeper at Navy-yard, Boston.

JAN. 27.—Captain F. M. Bunce to command naval station, New London, Feb. 12, 1890.

Assistant Engineer F. W. Bartlett, to Charleston.

JAN. 28.—Assistant Engineer C. J. Decker, to the Naval Academy, Feb. 1.

JAN. 29.—Chief Engineer M. Fletcher, to special duty, Bureau Steam Engineering.

Lieutenant R. E. Carmody, to examination for promotion.

##### Detached.

JAN. 27.—Captain Byron Wilson, from the com-

mand of the naval station, New London, Feb. 12, and placed on waiting orders.

Commander G. E. Wingate, from the *Monongahela* and to command the *Nipsic* at Honolulu, per steamer, Feb. 8, from San Francisco.

Commander James G. Green, from the command of the *Alert* and to command the *Adams* at Honolulu.

Lieutenant-Commander W. C. Gibson, from duty as executive of the *Monongahela* and to command that vessel.

Lieutenant Robt. E. Carmody, from the *Alert* and to the *Monongahela* as executive.

Lieutenants F. E. Greene and C. B. T. Moore, Ensigns J. J. Knapp and W. B. Whittelsey, Passed Assistant Surgeon E. H. Green, Assistant Paymaster S. L. Heap, Chief Engineer B. C. Gowing and Assistant Engineer M. A. Anderson, from the *Alert* and ordered home.

Lieutenant-Commander H. W. Lyon, from the command of the *Nipsic*, upon the reporting of his relief, and ordered home.

Ensign R. O. Bittler, from the Coast Survey steamer *Gedney* and ordered to the *Monongahela*.

JAN. 28.—Passed Assistant Surgeon C. W. Rush, from the Naval Academy and placed on waiting orders.

JAN. 29.—Assistant Naval Constructor Wm. J. Baxter, from present duties in Navy Dept. and ordered to Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va., after visiting Navy-yard, New York, Cramp's shipyard, Philadelphia, and the Delaware River Iron Works at Chester, Pa., on special duty.

#### Revoked.

Order of December 7, granting leave to Civil Engineer F. C. Prindle for one year on furlough pay, is revoked, at that officer's request, and he has been placed on waiting orders.

#### Resigned.

Naval Cadet T. H. Stevens Vail, to take effect January 29.

Assistant Engineer C. E. Manning, to take effect Jan. 30, 1891. He has been detached from duty at the Quindart Iron Works, and granted leave until that date.

#### Commissioned.

Assistant Engineer H. W. Spangler, a Passed Assistant Engineer from June 17, 1889.

#### Nominations.—Jan. 27.

Commander William M. Folger, to be Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, in the Department of the Navy, with the relative rank of Commodore, to fill a vacancy.

Lieutenant-Commander Joseph E. Craig, to be a commander in the Navy, from January 3, 1890, subject to the examination required by law, vice Commander William S. Dana, deceased.

Lieutenant Henry B. Mansfield, to be a Lieutenant-Commander, from January 3, 1890, subject to the examination required by law, vice Lieutenant-Commander J. E. Craig, promoted.

Lieutenant James T. Smith, Junior Grade, to be a Lieutenant in the Navy, from January 3, 1890, vice Lieutenant H. B. Mansfield, promoted.

Ensign William L. Burdick, to be a Lieutenant, Junior Grade, from January 3, 1890, vice Lieutenant J. T. Smith, Junior Grade, promoted.

Lieutenant Ridgely Hunt, Junior Grade, to be a Lieutenant in the Navy, from January 7, 1890, vice Lieutenant Henry T. Monahan, deceased.

Ensign Harry Kimmell, to be a Lieutenant, Junior Grade, in the Navy, from January 7, 1890, subject to the examination required by law, vice Lieutenant Ridgely Hunt, Junior Grade, promoted.

#### ORGANIZATIONS OF NAVAL OFFICERS.

THE Court of Inquiry, Commodore Greer President, appointed by Secretary Tracy to investigate the subject of organizations among naval officers in order to enable him to answer Senator Chandler's resolution of inquiry, completed the taking of testimony Jan. 23, and will submit its report before the close of the week. A large number of officers have been questioned. The testimony of some of them showed the existence of organizations in the Line and Engineer Corps for the purpose of furthering legislation, but it has not been shown that any illegitimate or improper means were employed. Those who testified were Lieut. Frank E. Beatty, Comdr. C. M. Chester, Ensign P. R. Alger, Medical Inspectors Wm. K. Van Ruyven and H. M. Wells, P. A. Surgeon W. A. McClurg, Pay Inspector A. S. Kenny, Capt. R. L. Phythian, Chief Engineer Thomas Williamson, Asst. Paymaster T. J. Cowie, P. Asst. Engr. F. C. Bieg, Pay Director J. D. Murray, Capt. H. L. Howison, Chief Naval Constructor T. D. Wilson, Paymaster C. P. Thompson, Civil Engineer F. O. Maxson, Professor J. R. Soley, Assistant Engineer B. C. Bryan, Assistant Naval Constructor D. W. Taylor, Paymaster A. W. Bacon and Passed Assistant Engineer W. S. Moore. The closing witness was Rear Admiral D. B. Harmony, who, like the majority of the others, had no knowledge of the existence of any organization among naval officers for purposes other than literary or scientific. The most important testimony given was by Lieut. Beatty, P. Asst. Eng. Bieg and Capt. Phythian. The former acknowledged the existence of a line officers' organization for purposes "not merely literary or scientific," consisting, he said, of "Capt. H. L. Howison, president, myself secretary and treasurer, with a committee consisting of the officers and Commanders C. H. Davis and Chester, Lieutenant Commanders C. M. Thomas and Ackley, Lieuts. Meigs and T. B. M. Mason, and Ensigns Chase and Ackerman. The objects of the organization are, primarily, to oppose all legislation that would be prejudicial to the interests of the line, and, secondly, to properly represent to Congress the nature of any measure regarding the reorganization of the service."

From him it was further learned that the line officers' organization was formed last November. The witness recollected receiving some time ago a contract from ex-Representative Thomas regarding the payment of money upon the condition of the passage of the famous Cowie bill and the increase of naval pay. He knew of a movement other than this, in charge of a committee representing all branches of the service, which resulted in the preparation of the Phythian bill and two arguments in favor of the passage of this measure. Copies, he said, had been sent to officers.

Capt. Robert L. Phythian gave an account of the

interview with the secretary of the Navy concerning his bill and said that it seemed to be the object of Mr. Chandler's resolution to indicate a desire on the part of Congress that officers should not employ outside talent to represent them, but that they should depend upon themselves. This the officers have decided to do. The movement in favor of the Phythian bill, he said, was in no sense an organization.

Asst. Eng. F. C. Bieg testified that the officers of his corps had intrusted their interests, as regards legislation, to a self-appointed committee, of which he was treasurer, and which had raised \$2,500 by contributions, for the purpose of defraying "legitimate expenses." Mr. Woodbury Blair, of Washington, had been employed as counsel to advise the committee on legal points affecting any measures pending or in preparation that would bear on the status of engineer officers.

Paymaster Cowie explained in detail his connection with Hon. John R. Thomas in regard to the Cowie bill, substantially as set forth in his letter, asking for a court of inquiry. He said the arrangement with Mr. Thomas was without the knowledge or consent of the Secretary of the Navy. Captain Howison, in his testimony, said that the organization of line officers was effected about ten years ago and has continued in existence ever since. Its purposes were to take care of the interests of line officers before Congress in the matter of legislation. For this purpose, counsel had at various times been employed and were paid at pro rata subscriptions. The fact of the existence of the organization had been known to some of Secretary Tracy's predecessors.

The testimony of Mates Cleaveland, Wilmuth and Creighton developed the fact that the mates of the Navy have a bill before Congress, and have employed ex-Senator Craigen and John Paul Jones as counsel. About all the mates, thirty-seven in number, had paid Craigen a retainer fee of \$10 and signed a contract to pay \$50 more upon the passage of the bill. They had also signed a contract to pay Jones \$200 on the same conditions.

Senator Chandler was the last witness called by the court. He said the first information he had of the existence of organizations among officers of the Navy was in April, 1882, soon after he became secretary of the Navy, when he was called upon by Mr. R. T. Merrick, who informed him that he had been for a long time the regularly retained counsel of the line officers' association. Mr. Chandler presented and had read for the court a "confidential circular," issued by the line officers' association soon after its meeting in October, 1888, asking \$10 per each officer to defray expenses of employing counsel. He did not object to the employment of counsel to openly advocate the interests of officers, but he did object to secret methods. Speaking generally, he did not know of any attempt to influence legislation by methods derogatory to the character of officers and gentlemen, but some of the methods adopted would not if authorized by any body of officers be exactly right. He knew of no corrupt means employed by individuals or bodies of officers. When he was secretary, Mr. Merrick presented an argument before him on the part of the line, and Mr. Boutwell for the staff. He then said that he thought this unsuitable, and the employment of counsel anomalous, but waived his objections. He received a little book called the Constitution and By-laws of the Line Association. Commodore Sicard told him at that time that there was no continuous organization among the line officers. This information, said Secretary Chandler, "was new to me, and believing him to speak the truth I dropped the matter."

#### LINCOLN AND JEFFERSON DAVIS.

IN the closing words of the "Life of Lincoln," the final instalment of which appears in the February Century, we are told that "General W. T. Sherman has repeatedly expressed the admiration and surprise with which he has read Mr. Lincoln's correspondence with his generals, and his opinion of the remarkable correctness of his military views. Gen. W. F. Smith says:

"I have long held to the opinion that at the close of the war Mr. Lincoln was the superior of his generals in his comprehension of the effect of strategic movements and the proper method of following up victories to their legitimate conclusion."

"General J. H. Wilson holds the same opinion; and Colonel Robert N. Scott, in whose lamented death the Army lost one of its most vigorous and best-trained intellects, frequently called Mr. Lincoln 'the ablest strategist of the war.'"

This instalment also contains an account of the fight, pursuit, and capture of Jefferson Davis on the downfall of the Confederacy, and this is followed by an article devoted entirely to this subject by General J. H. Wilson. It describes the most melancholy exhibition of weakness and littleness into which Mr. Davis was betrayed on this occasion by his consuming self-conceit. Instead of accepting his fate with dignity, according to the descriptions here given, he abused his captors for doing what, as his own training as a soldier must have shown him, was their simple duty, and, in melodramatic fashion, invited them to kill him, which was the last thing they would propose to do, as he must have well known.

#### PATENTS FOR MILITARY INVENTIONS.

A SELECTED list of patents reported especially for the U. S. ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL by C. A. Snow and Co., Patent Attorneys, opposite Patent Office, Washington, D. C., all bearing date of Jan. 21:

J. B. Canet, Paris, France, turret and turreted barrette for guns.  
J. E. Hallett, Valley Springs, S. D. steering and propelling mechanism for floating batteries.  
V. F. Lasso, Brooklyn, N. Y., duplex rudder for vessels.  
J. H. Stewart, Bluff City, Tenn., bow facing oar.  
H. Stifel, St. Louis, Mo., joint of mast composed of pipes or tubes.

A LARGE fire occurred at the Kittery Navy-yard Jan. 27, in the boiler room of the building occupied by the construction and repair department as a machine and iron plate shop. The workmen were obliged to jump through the windows to escape. The navy-yard firemen and the marine guard, assisted by a steamer and a hose company from this city, confined the fire entirely to the two buildings. The loss is expected to reach \$100,000.



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**ARMYNAVY.**

THE Fletcher Court-martial case is still pending  
at the Executive Mansion, and there is no intim-  
ation as to when final action will be taken.

**DON'T FORGET THE ARMY.**

We hope that the Military Committees of the two  
houses of Congress will emulate the zeal of their  
conferees of the Naval Committees and soon give  
us favorable reports upon the important measures  
concerning the interests of the Military Service now  
upon their files. It is well to look after the Navy,  
but it is not well to neglect the Army. Congress  
has before it a series of measures that might be  
passed with great advantage and encouragement to  
the Army, and without serious tax upon the public  
treasury or radical departure from the existing  
order. Senator Manderson proposes (S. 225) to in-  
crease the Army to 30,000 men and give the in-  
fantry regiments each twelve companies; Senator  
Hawley (S. 1351) moves to increase the artillery to  
seven regiments, each with twelve batteries, and to  
limit the selection of civilian appointees to mem-  
bers of the National Guard or State militia, and  
Mr. Cram's House bill No. 4673 requires examina-  
tions for all ranks below that of brigadier-general,  
preliminary to appointment or promotion.

To hasten the flow of promotion Senator Hawley  
asks (S. 377) that all officers of the Army recom-  
mended for retirement, prior to July 1, 1890, be  
placed upon the retired list, without regard to  
present limitations, and Messrs. Yoder (H. R. 3710)  
and Cutcheon (H. R. 474), that retired officers,  
now on the limited list, and of the proper age, be  
transferred to the unlimited list, Mr. Cutcheon pro-  
posing in addition to give the Secretary of War  
authority to examine for retirement all officers  
physically unfit for duty, and for whom room can  
be found upon the limited list. H. R. 3717, Mr.  
Lacey, allows officers who served in the Rebellion  
to retire after thirty years' service, captains and  
lieutenants to be advanced one grade, and S. 333,  
Mr. Cullom, and H. R. 225, Mr. Springer, gives the  
pay of the next higher grade after a service of  
fifteen years, and retirement with the rank and pay  
of the higher grade after twenty years. Then we  
have bills to reorganize the Subsistence Depart-  
ment (S. 2099, Mr. Manderson, and H. R. 28, Mr.  
Wheeler), to reorganize the Judge Advocate's De-  
partment (S. 2098, Mr. Davis) to increase the num-  
ber of Inspectors General and give them each a  
clerk (S. 380), and to provide (S. 2169) a subsis-  
tence detachment, not required to perform military  
duty other than that pertaining to service in their  
detachment. Mr. Plumb's bill, S. 601, provides  
each regiment with a band. Mr. Hawley has in-  
troduced this week a bill, S. 2377, providing for  
the enlistment of 1,500 Quartermaster employees  
for service as school teachers, clerks, mechanics,  
teamsters and laborers, in addition to the present  
force. They are not required to perform military  
duty, and extra duty and extra duty pay are to be  
abolished. School teachers are to have \$40 a  
month, clerks \$34, mechanics \$30 and \$25, team-  
sters \$20, and laborers \$18, with allowances and  
increase of pay for length of service.

For the rank and file of the Army Mr. Cutcheon's  
bill, H. R. 3864, provides long and short enlist-  
ments, with bounty for re-enlistments, and the priv-  
ilege of purchasing a discharge after serving out  
half the period of enlistment. It declares desertion  
to be a crime against the United States, provides  
for the arrest of deserters by United States officers  
and grants a reward for their apprehension. Mr.  
Hawley's bill, S. 2155, establishes summary courts  
for the trial of enlisted men for minor offences and  
for the arrest of deserters by civilian officials of the  
United States and the several States. S. 1907,  
Mr. Plumb, and H. R. 771, Mr. Harmer, increase  
the pay of non-commissioned officers and reduce  
the period of the first enlistment, subsequent en-  
listments to be for five years. S. 894, Mr. Dolph,  
reduces the period of service required for the re-  
tirement of enlisted men to twenty-five years; and  
H. R. 684 further reduces this to twenty years for  
those who served at least one year during the war.  
Finally, Mr. Hawley's bill, S. 378, increases the  
pay of privates of the hospital corps to nineteen  
dollars a month.

There is nothing in any of these bills that need  
disturb the conscience of the most cautious legis-  
lator on Army matters, and taken together they  
provide for changes that will greatly add to the  
comfort and content of officers and enlisted men  
and correspondingly increase their efficiency. If



at the close of our great war it had been decided that a regular army was not needed, and that we could depend for the public defence wholly upon the stalwart arms of the sons of freemen, the regular service should have been abolished. It was not so decided; on the contrary, the value and importance of special military training were then universally recognized. This being so, everything necessary to increase the efficiency of the Service should be favorably considered, and so far as possible we should transform our little Army into a *corps d'élite*, each member of which is fit for active duty, while all are moved by that spirit of honorable emulation in which hope and aspiration are essential factors.

We presume that no one regrets more than Commander William M. Folger that he has not more rank. This is his misfortune, not his fault. So far as it is, a valid objection to selecting him for a position giving him the relative rank of Commodore, it is unanswerable. In all other respects his selection for the Chief of the Naval Bureau of Ordnance is a most satisfactory one. It gives promise of a vigorous, as well as an intelligent, administration of the affairs of the Ordnance office. The new chief is now in the 46th year of his age, his birthday occurring on the 19th of May. He is not as old as he would be if he were older, but he is old enough to know a good gun when he sees it, and quite old enough to have acquired an experience in ordnance matters which it would be hard for any other naval officer to excel. His reputation as an ordnance expert was made long ago. He is fully abreast of the times on all ordnance questions, and in addition to his technical knowledge, possesses quite sufficient executive ability to cope with the administrative part of his new and important office. Largely through his efforts in a subordinate position the Navy is now doing so well as it is in the matter of guns. Now that he is in full control we may expect even better results. All hail, then, to Commodore Folger. Commander Charles O'Neil, now in command of the *Dolphin*, will succeed Commander Folger as Chief Inspector of the Washington Ordnance Foundry.

THE views of the majority and minority of the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs on the subject of the ships required for our Navy, and the report of the discussion before the Committee of the subject of the increase of our naval establishment, furnish much interesting material for consideration. Mr. Hale has given notice that he will next week call up his bill, S. 588, providing for eight battle ships, two coast defence vessels, three gunboats and five first-class torpedo boats. This was reported favorably by a majority of the Committee, Mr. Chandler presenting a minority report. Mr. Chandler, if he is in a minority, has much the best of the argument, as we shall endeavor to show next week, when we propose to consider at length this subject of proper ships for the Navy and present some information concerning the monitor type that seems to be greatly needed just now. Mr. Chandler is entirely right when he says "The time has not yet arrived, if, indeed, it will ever come, for the construction in the United States of the ponderous, unwieldy and costly broadside armored vessels with which European nations are making experiments of at least doubtful value."

THE contest for the Paymaster Generalship of the Army seems to quiet down as the time approaches for the change which is to be made on the 15th of February. This unusual state of affairs is doubtless due to the numerous hints coming from the White House to the effect that Lieut. Colonel C. M. Terrell has been definitely determined upon for the appointment. We have it direct from a prominent person, who called there in the interest of the senior—Colonel Rodney Smith—that there is absolutely no chance for any other candidate. He says he was not told in so many words that Colonel Terrell would be appointed, but the hints accidentally dropped fully convinced him that he was wasting time in looking after the interest of Colonel Smith or any other candidate. The four officers superior to Colonel Terrell in rank all retire in 1895. He continues on the active list until Feb. 24, 1896. As Major

Stanton, who follows next after, does not retire until 1899, he will still have a chance and leave room for three years' service as Paymaster General for Major Glenn, who does not retire until 1902.

GENERAL WESLEY MERRITT, commanding the Department of the Missouri, has recently issued a pungent circular calling the attention of post commanders and other officers to many matters of loose administration and discipline which inspections have shown to need correction. These include want of thorough and systematic instruction in cavalry and infantry drills, the wearing of "mixed" uniforms, careless records, money-lending and gaming by enlisted men, enlisted men sleeping out of barracks, irregularity in roll-calls, selling liquor in company amusement rooms, using soldiers as servants, lack of theoretical instruction, etc. The circular has excited much comment in General Merritt's command, and both favorable and unfavorable criticism.

THE enlisted men of the Navy concerned are to petition the powers that be to include them in the Bill (S. 88) introduced by Senator Dolph, providing that any enlisted man who has served at least one year in the Regular or volunteer Army during the civil war may, on the completion of twenty years' service, be placed upon the retired list. We trust their just efforts may be successful.

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, New York Harbor, after passing unscathed through the perilous chance of becoming a city park, is now, according to report, in danger of being transformed into a landing place for immigrants, *vice* Castle Garden, abandoned. What next?

IN an order of the day, dated "Head Quarters, Cambridge, August 28th, 1775," Gen. Washington said: "As nothing is more pernicious to the health of Soldiers, nor more certainly productive of the bloody-flux; than drinking New Cyder; The General in the most positive manner commands, the entire disuse of the same, and orders the Quarter Master General this day to publish advertisements, to acquaint the inhabitants of the surrounding districts, that such of them, as are detected bringing new Cyder into the Camp, after Thursday, the last day of this month; may depend on having their casks stove." The preference of the Father of his Country appears to have been for whiskey, if we may judge from the following order recently unearthed at the War Department:

"H. Q. GREENVILLE, 17th March (1796).  
"Morning Orders.  
"The anniversary of the Tutelar Saint of Hibernia will be observed with all due respect and decorum, the Commissary General will administer an extra Gill of Whiskey on the occasion. \* \* \*  
"GO. WASHINGTON."

We doubt whether Miss Kate Field could say a dull thing if she were to try. As to this there is no evidence on record, for she never tried. It follows without argument that *Kate Field's Washington* must be a bright paper. It ought to have the support of every public official, for its editor admires them and wants them all to have more pay. The President \$100,000, Senators \$20,000, and Representatives \$10,000. So, if each officer will write down what salary he has and multiply it by two or three he will learn what salary the generous Miss Field thinks he ought to have. The sure way to get it is to make her paper so popular that they will have to elect her President, and all the rest will follow.

THE London correspondent of the *New York Times*, under date of Jan. 25, says: "All the Balkan States are drifting at an accelerated speed toward the whirlpool of a rupture. Bulgaria answers Serbia's refusal to make a commercial treaty by beginning hurried fortifications at Widdin and Coula. Servia announces her intention of devoting 2,000,000*f.* to the purchase of Mannlicher repeating rifles. The Turkish authorities have expelled 1,310 Servian subjects from the Novi Bazaar district, and moved fresh troops into that section. The Greek Government summoned all the reserves to join the colors in a march, an unheard-of season for such an assemblage and avowedly meant as a menace of war upon Turkey. The provocations to this have been already overwhelming in Crete, but the Porte now adds to the tension by an arbitrary decree abolishing the use of Greek in the Courts of the Vilayet of Janina, which will bring all Albania into a state of commotion. Out of all these elements of discord it is very likely that some sort of war may break forth in the spring. But unless it takes on unusual proportions it does not necessarily follow that any of the great Powers will interfere."

THE *Kansas City Times* has broken out with a serious eruption of small paragraphs criticising a recent order of Gen. Merritt, requiring non-commissioned officers to sleep in barracks. We advise Gen. Merritt hereafter to submit his orders to the *Times* for approval in advance, or perhaps a better way would be for him to call together the enlisted men of his command and put to vote the question as to what orders should be issued. The *Times* is incidentally at work abolishing the Inspector General's Department, which "costs annually in salaries to officers alone \$30,000," a sum sufficient to "construct forty cottages for worthy enlisted men who are married." The *Times* does not seem to be aware of the inconsistency it shows in proposing to house enlisted men in 40 cottages. Would Mr. Vanderbilt, Mr. Rockefeller or Mr. Jay Gould be content to live in such a cottage? Why then should an enlisted man be insulted by having it suggested that he is worthy of nothing better? And why should only forty of the 25,000 enlisted men have cottages? And why should some men be compelled to live in barracks and not others?

AFTER discreetly waiting to ascertain the facts, our Government has this week welcomed the Republic of Brazil to the community of nations. The President, on Wednesday, officially received Senor Valente as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States of Brazil, and sent in the name of our Minister at Rio as Minister to the new Republic. The new Republic has a population of 14,000,000, or about that of the United States in 1832. The vote actually cast in the United States in that year was 1,250,790. In Brazil there are but 220,000 qualified voters, and this is the weakness of the Republic. Of these it is estimated that not over 500 were aware of the proposed change of government. The suffrage is now extended to all who can read and write, including foreigners; but with this liberality the total voting population is not expected to exceed 1,000,000. In spite of the personal excellences of Dom Pedro, his government is described as very corrupt, so that nothing can be lost in this respect by the change. Certainly every American wishes well to the new State.

WHILE the opposition papers in this country are criticising the Samoan treaty recently concluded at Berlin, because it yields too much to Germany, the German press are denouncing it because it reduces the Germans to the level of other foreigners, and denies them the influence they claim in virtue of their superior possessions and numbers. The treaty seems to us as satisfactory as any treaty could be that attempts to secure to the United States rights in a foreign country without imposing upon it the expense, risk and responsibility inevitably attending assertion of such rights. Whether any such attempt can be made permanently successful the future will show. Certainly no treaty should be ratified by the Senate which deprives us of the right to a coaling station in Samoa already secured to us by the enterprise of one of our naval officers, Captain R. W. Meade.

*Scribner's Magazine* for February contains the first of two articles on John Ericsson, contributed to that magazine by Wm. C. Church. This article, and the one to follow in March, will show how large a place Ericsson filled in the engineering history of the present century, and how lofty were the purposes that impelled him to action. The two articles are introductory to the biography now in preparation for publication by Messrs. Scribner's Sons. Ericsson's life furnishes much more interesting material for biography than has usually been supposed, and it only requires skillful use of the material at hand to make a most interesting and instructive volume.

THE final proof sheets of the Army Register for 1890 were sent from the Adjutant-General's office to the Public Printer Jan. 28. Advance copies will probably be ready for issue within a fortnight. The only new feature in the make-up of the Register is the elaboration of staff service, details to West Point and all other staff duty being recorded. Advance copies of the Navy Register for 1890 are expected from the Government printer daily. The final proof sheets, corrected to Jan. 1, were sent to the printer the early part of the week. There is no change in the form of the Register.

THE 51st Congress is expected to take speedy action on the bill to transfer the Revenue Marine from the Treasury to the Navy Department. For the first time the Secretaries of the Navy and Treasury Departments are in accord on this subject. The various naval Secretaries for several years past, including Mr. Tracy, have recommended its adoption, but the opposition has always come from the Secretaries of the Treasury. Mr. Windom, seeing the justice of the proposed legislation, has announced his sympathy with the movement. Since the meeting of



Congress three measures have been introduced looking to this union, and substantially the same. Not only is there entire harmony of feeling between the two Secretaries regarding the transfer, but the officers of the two Services interested are equally favorable to the plan. More than this, the chairman of the House and Senate Naval Committees appreciate the necessity for some action of this character. In view of these facts it is believed that when Congress takes the matter up it will be disposed of without delay.

THE Department of State has issued a circular making public the resolutions adopted by the International Marine Conference, which closed its session in Washington on Dec. 31. The Conference decided that it was inexpedient to adopt course indicating sound signals in foggy or thick weather. They adopted rules for preventing collisions at sea, including rules concerning lights, sound signals for fog and for vessels in sight of one another, steering and sailing rules, and distress signals. Vessels are required to go at moderate speed in a fog, mist, falling snow or heavy rain-storms. The Conference declined to attempt to establish regulations to determine the seaworthiness of vessels, and they decided that the introduction of a uniform maximum load-mark should be left to negotiations between maritime nations. They adopted regulations regarding the designing and marking of vessels and for saving life and property from shipwreck, and recommended the adoption of tests for sight and color blindness. It was not thought desirable to lay down ocean routes for steamers by international agreement, unless they were to be made compulsory for swift steamers, and great difficulties would be met with in enforcing lane routes. This is the conclusion of even those favoring the establishment of such routes. It is the opinion of the Conference that night signaling at sea can be better carried on by a system of long and short flashes from a white light than by any system in which colored lights are used. The Conference recommend for insertion in the International Code Book a complete alphabet of a Morse code for optional use and as a fog signal for vessels requiring a pilot a prolonged blast followed by a short blast, and for pilots offering their services a short blast followed by a long blast. They invite the maritime countries interested to consider the establishment of a uniform system of indicating storm warnings by day and night, but do not make any recommendation themselves, considering that the subject is in its nature one to be dealt with locally. They adopted recommendations on the subject of reporting, marking and removing dangerous wrecks or obstructions to navigation; also resolutions with a view to establishing uniformity in the subjects treated in "Notices to Mariners" and "Light Lists," and a system of buoys and beacons, based on the use of four colors to mark the four sides of a shoal. Finally they adopted this resolution:

*Resolved*, That for the present the establishment of a permanent international maritime commission is not considered expedient.

THE St. Louis *Post-Despatch* is after Jefferson Barracks again, saying that an ex-soldier, recently discharged from there, but who turned up again and was caught in the act of making away with a coat, was "put in the guardhouse and was given but one meal between Friday night and Wednesday morning." The *Despatch* does allow, however, that when there were garrison prisoners he did have something to eat. The tale is harrowing to read, but, we fancy, much less harrowing in fact. Still it may interest those who make it their business to pick holes in the Army.

SENATOR MANDERSON, writing to an Army officer with reference to a law wholly retiring worthless officers, says: "I do not think you need new legislation so much as the performance of plain duty by officers of the Army. When an officer, even with high command, is indifferent and neglectful of his duty, the proper course to pursue, it seems to me, is to prefer charges against him, and let him be tried by Court-martial." This is sound advice.

THE report of the Secretary of War on the employment of civilian engineers and their compensation shows that during the last fiscal year there were employed on river and harbor work 143 civilians, rendering service equivalent to the employment of 100 men for one year, the compensation varying from \$80 to \$350 a month.

A CORRESPONDENT of the San Antonio *Express* thinks the reason so many recruits desert is because of the "guying" they receive on first joining. If one is got hold of who is particularly gullible, "He's sent to the sergeant for ammunition for his sabre, and to exchange a left hand spur for one that will

fit the right foot. He's awkward and ill at ease, successfully getting in everybody's way, and never getting out of it until somebody swears at him. And then, too often it is that the shimmering glamour that erstwhile flamed about the cavalry horse and his paraphernalia, begins to fade. The clank of the sabre and the blare of the trumpet and the Army mule no longer stirs his blood with martial pride. And one day he slips from the saddle, casts one lingering look behind at the Government trade-mark upon the flank of Bucephalus, and sets his face forever away from the shrine of Mars."

THE Baltimore *American* does not approve of the Indian prisoners at Mount Vernon Barracks being sent to Ft. Sill, saying: "General Crook, in his suggestion appears to be guided by his sympathies rather than his judgment, which, in a brave man, are always generous and active. \* \* \* In this case there could not be a wiser policy than to let well enough alone. Sentiment is very well in its way; but it is folly to take such risks as the transfer of these mountain fiends implies. Where they are they are well cared for, and they can do no harm; but to turn them loose, even in the Indian Territory, would be like opening the cage doors and emptying on a peaceful community a lot of the wildest and most savage beasts."

DOM PEDRO, in response to the question "If you should be elected President of the republic, as some of your friends propose to offer your name, would you return to Brazil?" is quoted as saying: "With all my heart. No matter whether as emperor, president or private citizen, I would gladly return to die among my people."

MAJOR-GENERAL SCHOFIELD's recent words on the subject of Army chaplains, "Give the Army religious liberty, assist the men to obtain the religious ministrations of which they feel the need and there will be the same interest in religion in the Army as elsewhere," are exciting much praise in both military and civil quarters.

THE Philadelphia *Inquirer*, referring to the regulation permitting straw hats to be worn in the Army at certain times, pertinently says: "The policemen should have the same privilege. Nothing is lost by treating men as men and not as machines."

THE St. Louis *Globe Democrat* says: "A library containing a collection of the best specimens of literature has been recently established at Jefferson Barracks for the use of the recruits. In former years the soldiers spent their spare time at the post trader's, but now the spare moments are devoted to reading."

THE Philadelphia *Inquirer*, under the heading "A Unique Army Corps," describes the organization, etc., of the Signal Service and refers to President Harrison's recommendation that the service be transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

It may interest many to learn that the Supreme Court of the United States, has decided that the nutritious bean is vegetable and not a seed.

#### LATE ARMY ORDERS.

1st Lieut. E. D. Smith, is relieved from duty in Texas and will join his company at Jackson Barracks, La. (S. O. 24, H. Q. A., Jan. 29.)

#### AGAIN A. R. 955.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

"CENTURION" makes a strong plea for A. R. 955, and hits the post commanders hard, but the earmarks are plain and the facts are against him. The inspection under A. R. 955 is nothing more than a report on paper of the monthly inspection made every month under A. R. 948. Let 955 go; it has scarcely a friend, and the Army is burdened with too many reports and too much paper work already.

LICTOR.

#### ARMY REFORMS.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

THE many reforms made by General Schofield, and the last, requiring reveille in winter not to be earlier than 6.30, and in summer at 5.30, are good, and the good old times of getting up at from 3 to 4 A. M., with nothing to do is passed. The meal order, as far as the supper goes, won't work; 5.15 in winter is dark, and no lights for dining-room. Recall from fatigue is at 4 P. M. and retreat at 4.30. After that time, if a man wants to go away he cannot, as he has to wait, and lying around barracks, waiting for a meal and nothing to do, is not conducive to content. The second relief goes on 5 to 7, and have to have supper at 4.30, and men going on pass with the same. In fine, the order is not a reform, and goes to show that regulating all the details of a post from Washington is not always best. Officers dine at 5 and breakfast at 8, an interval of fifteen hours, and the men with a supper at 4.30 and breakfast at 7 have a less interval. The present order will be found not to give satisfaction to the majority.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

#### WEST POINT, N. Y.

WEST POINT, N. Y., Jan. 20, 1890

ON Wednesday night, Jan. 22, there was a meeting of the officers at West Point, called together by Gen. Wilson, to consider the disposal of the \$50,000 now accumulated for a Battle Monument. The result of that meeting will be the erection in the near future of a monument to the memory of the honored dead, as was contemplated by the donors of the money a quarter of a century ago.

It was decided that a monument should be erected at Trophy Point, where, twenty-five years ago ground was dedicated for this purpose.

Lieut. and Mrs. Crane arrived at the post on Thursday, Jan. 23.

On Saturday evening a concert was given in the library; a hop is expected next Saturday.

Among recent visitors have been: Dr. A. K. Smith, whose son is a member of the fourth class; Mr. Mrs. and Miss Thrasher, relatives of Cadet Thrasher of the fourth class; Lieut. Simpson, who was relieved from duty at the post a few years ago, is a guest of Capt. Williams.

Lieut. and Mrs. Haskins have gone to South Carolina for a short visit.

The influenza has been followed by the mumps. Several of the cadets are at present suffering from this troublesome malady.

There was skating on the ponds in this vicinity for several days last week. Ice will be cut as soon as possible this winter to avoid the possibility of an ice famine; always our dread during an open winter.

Charles Allen Jones, of Wichita, 7th District of Kansas, is the only candidate nominated this week for admission to the West Point Military Academy.

#### PAY OF NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

THE following is a copy of a petition signed by all the non-commissioned officers at Fort Lewis, Col., and forwarded to the War department with the approval of all the officers there. It is suggested that a similar petition be sent from other posts.

We, the undersigned non-commissioned officers of the United States Army, believing that a small amount of legislation will greatly promote and increase the efficiency of the enlisted force of the Army, desire to most respectfully and earnestly petition Congress to enact such legislation as may be necessary to cause the desired changes in the Revised Statutes.

1st. To change the present pay table so far as relates to non-commissioned officers of the line of the Army as set forth below:

Sections 127, 127a and 1280 to 1284, R. Sergeant major, present pay table, \$23, new table, \$34; Quarter-master sergeant, \$23, new table, \$34; chief trumpeter, saddler sergeant, principal musician and first sergeants, \$22, new table, \$32; sergeant, \$17, new table, \$23; corporal, \$15, new table, \$30.

2d. Change section 1282, Revised Statutes, so as to authorize re-enlistment within "six months" instead of "one month," as now provided.

3d. To change the law authorizing the retirement of enlisted men after thirty (30) years service so as to require but twenty-five (25) years service.

Your petitioners respectfully set forth that the present pay table does not provide pay for non-commissioned officers commensurate with their duties and position, and that a private detailed as a teamster receives more pay than any of the non-commissioned officers of his company.

The authority to re-enlist within six months would, it is believed, keep in service many good soldiers who are now lost after one enlistment.

The period of thirty years' service required for retirement is deemed too long, for only a small percentage of men are fit for active duty after twenty-five years of the hardships of Army life in the ranks, and to keep them longer necessitates providing some easy place where such men can wait for retirement to come to them.

Your petitioners respectfully set forth that such legislation would encourage the soldier of the Regular Army to a degree far beyond the small increase of expense to the Government.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

#### FORT MEADE, S. DAKOTA.

ONE of the most delightful entertainments of the season was the dancing reception given to Lieut. E. W. Evans and bride by Lieut. and Mrs. C. W. Kennedy and Lieut. and Mrs. E. V. Smith, at the post hall, on Friday evening, Jan. 10. Notwithstanding the fact that a "blizzard" was raging, a goodly number of guests were present, and the result was a very enjoyable affair. Judging by the praises of the guests, the efforts of the hosts at decorating the hall were well appreciated. They did succeed admirably. Festoons of evergreen adorned the walls, and the lower end, away from the music, was transformed by the use of rugs, chairs, etc., into a drawing room where the receiving party stood.

A charming picture they made, standing in the soft glow of a number of lamps with a background of screens and a large flag artistically draped. The costumes of the ladies contrasted prettily as they stood to greet their guests. Mrs. Evans wore an imported gown of robin's egg blue silk; Mrs. Kennedy, one of white silk and gauze, dancing length, while Mrs. Smith was in a trained dress of yellow silk.

Partially screened by evergreens, but not hidden altogether, was a semicircle of a camp fire, and in the hanging kettle was a punch brewed according to the famous recipe of the Fish House Club. At 10.30 a delightful supper was served and there the ingenuity and efforts of the hostesses were made manifest. Dancing was afterwards resumed and kept up until a late hour, when the guests departed with hearty goodnights and regrets that so pleasant a party was, indeed, at an end.

Another pleasant affair was the dinner given by Lieut. and Mrs. O'Connor, 8th Cav., on Jan. 17, to the brides of the 8th Cav., Mrs. Byron and Mrs. Evans. And now we are looking forward to a promised production of Mr. W. D. Howell's farce "The Albany Depot," by a cast selected from the officers and ladies of the garrison, with the farce "My Turn Next" as an afterpiece. A pleasant evening is anticipated, as much good material for the cast is available, notably Lieuts. Ellis and Byron, 8th Cav.

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#### REVENUE MARINE.

JAN. 21.—The officers and crew of the Ewing have been transferred to steamer Crawford, lately assigned to duty at Baltimore. The Ewing has been put out of commission.

JAN. 21.—Chief Engineer J. C. Severns detached from Stevens and ordered to Dallas at Portland, Me.

2d Lieut. John Morrissey detached from launch Penrose and ordered to report to Department.

Chief Engineer S. T. Taylor detached from Dallas and placed on waiting orders.

JAN. 27.—2d Lieut. H. R. West ordered to temporary duty on Rush at San Francisco.

The commissions of officers confirmed during present session of Congress were mailed to those concerned during the present time. There are no other promotions due at the present time.

The revenue cutter Rush left San Francisco Jan. 28, with mail for Portland, Ore., the regular line of steamers refusing to accept the compensation offered by the Government for the service.



## THE STATE TROOPS.

Correspondence on subjects appertaining to this department of the paper is always gladly received. The wishes of contributors as to the use of their names will be scrupulously regarded.

## NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF THE U. S.

ADJUT.-GEN. BEESON of Iowa reports to Col. Bridge, the Secretary of the National Guard Association, the following service by the Iowa National Guard since 1875: During the tramp riots in 1877, six regiments and one battery were ordered to be in readiness for action, and remained on duty from one to thirty days. No casualties.

Since then companies have been in active service as follows: Co. A, 1st Regiment, six days; F, 1st, E and B, 2d, two days; F, 1st, H, 6th, presence preserved the peace; K, 5th, and A, 6th, called out twice, and D, 1st, many times, no action; F, 6th, guarded gallows; A, 3d, called out to guard jail twice, also to quiet mine troubles. The only casualties were two deputy sheriffs wounded. Co. H, 3d Regiment, on duty 14 days in connection with mine troubles.

Adj.-Gen. W. H. King, Treasurer, reports that "Fifty-two companies of the Texas Volunteer Guard have been called upon to suppress violence and restore quiet and peace on twenty-six occasions urgently calling for their assistance, as the disturbances could not be controlled by the civil authorities. No casualties occurred in the Guard, but the hardships incident to leaving home and their business, suffering from cold, short rations, inadequate pay, etc., need not be enumerated."

The following additional delegates have been appointed to the convention of Feb. 5:

Indiana.—Gen. N. R. Ruckle, Adjutant-General; Col. W. D. Ewing, 1st Infantry; Col. W. J. McKee, 2d Infantry; Col. R. W. McBride, 3d Infantry; Major H. H. Wood, 1st Artillery.

Vermont.—Gen. T. S. Peck, Adjutant and Inspector-General; Col. Julius J. Estey, 1st Regiment Infantry; Col. Levi K. Fuller, Light Battery; Col. Wyllys Lyman, Col. W. Seward Webb, Col. Robert J. Kimball, Major E. R. Campbell, Capt. Tracy L. Jeffords.

Massachusetts.—Gen. Samuel Dalton, Adjutant-General; Brig.-Gen. B. F. Peach, Jr., 2d Brigade; Brig.-Gen. Benjamin F. Bridge, Jr., 1st Brigade; Col. Horace T. Rockwell, Inspector of Rifle Practice, M. V. M.

Virginia.—Gen. Dabney H. Maury, Lieut.-Col. J. Lane Stern, Major C. A. Nash, Capt. George A. Mushbach, Capt. W. W. Lewis.

Rhode Island.—Gen. Elisha Dyer, Jr., Adjutant-General; Gen. Charles R. Dennis, Q. M. G.; Gen. Elisha H. Rhodes, Commanding Brigade; Lieut.-Col. Philip S. Chase, A. G. Commanding Brigade; 1st Lieut. William Ely, Commanding Machine Gun Battery.

## SOME COMING EVENTS.

We have received notification of the following:

- Feb. 5.—Convention of National Guard Association of the U. S. at Washington, D. C.
- Feb. 5.—Joint athletic games Co. H, 13th N. Y., and Nauticus Boat Club.
- Feb. 10.—Athletic games Co. D, 47th N. Y., at armory.
- Feb. 10.—Military and full dress reception, Battalion of State Fencibles, Phila., Pa.
- Feb. 14.—Review of the 7th N. Y., and presentation of badges at armory.
- Feb. 18.—Entertainment and reception, Co. G, 15th N. Y., at Lyceum Opera House, 34th St., near Lexington Ave.
- Feb. 21.—Annual ball and review of 2d Battery at armory.
- Feb. 21.—Annual reception Non-Commissioned Officers' Association 13th N. Y., at armory.
- Feb. 21.—Review, presentation of badges and reception 32d N. Y., at armory.
- Feb. 22.—Annual reception of Co. G, 7th N. Y.
- Feb. 24.—Annual drill and reception of Co. F, 47th N. Y., at the armory.
- March 1.—Joint athletic meeting Co. H, 71st N. Y., and American A. C.
- March 27.—Spring Athletic Games, 12th Regt., at armory.
- April 12.—Athletic games of 7th N. Y. at armory.

## Twelfth New York.—Colonel H. Dowd.

ONE of the largest crowds ever seen in the 12th Regiment Armory assembled on Jan. 27 to witness the review, dress parade and presentation of marksman's badges. Adjutant's call was sounded promptly at 8.30 o'clock. The formation was 10 companies, 20 front, and 20 minutes later Col. Dowd took command. The ranks were opened and were reviewed by Adj. Gen. Josiah Porter, accompanied by Gen. Robbins, Insp. Gen. R. F., and Maj. David Crocker, L. R. F., 1st Brig. The review in line was perfect, men very steady. The passage and salutes of officers was good, distances well kept and salutes well timed. Not an officer failed to render the salute at the proper time. The wheel into line was fair, only two slight distances were noticed. The review lasted just 12 minutes. The front was then reduced to 16 files and formed for dress parade, under Lieut. Col. Miller. The formation was prompt and well executed. After a short drill in the manual, the adjutant called 15 sharpshooters to the front and centre and the captains of companies formed their marksmen in lines in front of their respective companies. Adj. Gen. Porter presented the bars to the sharpshooters, and to the companies of the right wing, and Gen. Robbins to the companies of the left wing, assisted by the field officers and the Regimental Inspector of Rifle Practice. Two hundred officers and men received the State decoration. The dress parade was then finished and companies dismissed at 9.40 o'clock. For the first time in a long while the regiment paraded with a full field and staff, the new major, R. W. Leonard, making his debut. The regiment paraded with full ranks, and we never saw them do better. The men were attentive and officers well up in their duties. Col. Dowd may well feel proud of his new field, and of the gain in marksmen over last year. After the band and drum corps moved off, the floor which they had occupied required the services of a scrub woman. It was a filthy sight, and in no condition for dancing. Shortly after 10 o'clock Drum Maj. McKay led the grand march of about 300 couples, and a programme of 14 dances was enjoyed by those present.

A noticeable feature of the reception was the absence generally of officers of the 12th and other organizations in taking part in the dancing. This fact was commented on by several from outside regiments present with ladies, whose main object was to take part in the dance, but who refrained from so doing when they saw few, if any, other officers interested in it. There was a time when these receptions of the 12th were participated in by many distinguished people, but of late they have been conspicuous by their absence.

## Twenty-third New York.—Col. J. N. Partridge.

THE regiment assembled for review by Mayor Chapin at the armory on the evening of Jan. 25. For the review the regiment was equalized into 10 companies of 12 files, with Col. Partridge in command. The passage in double time was handsomely done, as were a few movements in a short battalion drill. For dress parade each company pa-

raded with its full strength, Lieut. Col. Smith being in command. It is almost needless to say that the regiment fully sustained its excellent reputation in all particulars, and the large audience present were very enthusiastic over the fine display made. The steadiness in the ranks, precision of the manual, perfect distances and dress in marching, were very noticeable. A concert by the regimental band under Fols rendered some inspiring selections. Dancing commenced at 10 o'clock and continued until midnight. Among the many present were: Lieut. Col. J. G. Frothingham, A. A. G., 1st Brigade; Col. T. H. McGrath, Asst. Insp. Gen.; Capt. G. G. Cochran, 13th N. Y.; Gen. J. B. Woodward, Judge Bartlett, Judge Clement, Police Commissioner Bell, Collector Alden S. Swan, City Works Commissioner John P. Adams, Supervisor-at-Large Paul Kretschmar, Park Commissioners Brower and Hayden, District Attorney J. W. Ridgway, City Auditor Rutan and ex-Supervisor Read.

## Seventy-first New York.—Col. Fred. Kopper.

The regiment assembled for review and presentation of State marksman's badges on Jan. 23. The sentries at the main entrance to hall on this occasion were alive to their duties, and acted in a military manner. Adjutant's call for dress parade was sounded at 8.11. The adjutant in posting his marker should stand three yards in his rear, instead of putting his hands on the marker's shoulder to assure him. The color company was not brought to a support until a long time after the company on their right was given "front." The 5th company was brought to a support before the company next succeeding them was given the command "front."

The turn out was large, and the command presented an exceptionally good appearance. Gen. C. F. Robbins was tendered the review. The passage was very nicely done so far as fronts of companies were concerned. There was nothing to choose. States of staff were razed and not well timed with colonel's salute. The salutes of the lieutenants generally were irregular. Both ceremonies showed a vast improvement over the previous assemblage which we had occasion to criticize. The men were very steady and the manual by the regiment very good, with the exception of the order arms. At the command rear open order, a large percentage of the men failed to look to the right.

The turn out was large and the appearance of the men very creditable. General Robbins, before presenting the badges, by request, addressed the command on the importance of marksmanship. He hit the nail right on the head, and his advice should be remembered. Although Captain Zabriske has been appointed I. R. P., he acted this evening as an assistant. Captain Balkman, who paraded with the staff, not yet being relieved as I. R. P. was senior officer. Thanks to the enterprise of Captain Zabriske, however, the badges were all regilded and the bars properly attached. The badges were presented to 4 sharpshooters and 146 marksmen, a total of 150—an increase of 51 over last year. Co. B has three of the sharpshooters and the largest percentage of marksmen.

The regiment is much hampered for room. It is recruiting with very desirable material, and the old "American Guard," when provided with adequate quarters, will be able to make a brush for the lead.

## CONNECTICUT.

THE action of Gov. Bulkeley, relative to the officers of the 1st Regt. and Brig. Gen. Graham, has caused intense excitement among military circles throughout the State. When Adj. Gen. Embler assumed office a short time ago he found the resignations there without any endorsement by Brig. Gen. Graham upon them. Gen. Embler returned the resignations to Gen. Graham with the request that he either endorse or disapprove them. Gen. Graham thereupon approved them, after which the following letter was sent to him:

GENERAL: Your concurrence in the insubordination of the officers of the 1st Regt., C. N. G., as shown by your approval of the resignations for the reasons stated, compels the Commander-in-Chief to ask of you your resignation as brigadier general commanding brigade, C. N. G. By order of the Commander-in-Chief. Very respectfully, A. H. EMBLER, Adjutant General.

The statute, Sec. 3, 159, says: "The Commander-in-Chief may give an honorable or dishonorable discharge or dismissal to any officer."

The Legislature of 1881, however, passed an act, adopting the military code, for the guidance and government of the Connecticut guard. Par. 83 of this code says: "An officer may be discharged by order of the Commander-in-Chief, either by direction of the general assembly, the report of a court of inquiry, or the sentence of a court-martial." Then the code, par. 83, goes on to say: "Dishonorable discharges are only given upon sentences of a Court-martial." The following is the order discharging the officers:

G. O. 3, Jan. 22, A. G. O., Conn. I. For conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline, in unlawful combination with their subordinate officers to resist the orders of their superiors, as evidenced by the present condition of affairs in their command, the 1st Regt., C. N. G., and for the good of the service, the following officers are hereby dishonorably dismissed from the military service of the State: Col. Wm. E. Cone; Lt. Col. Chas. E. Thompson; Maj. Thos. M. Smith. II. For conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline, the following officers of the 1st Regt., C. N. G., are hereby dismissed for the benefit of the Service: Capt. Edward Schulze, Co. A; Geo. B. Newton, Co. F. All the officers dismissed by this order, in communications to the Commander-in-Chief lay great stress upon their long service in C. N. G. It is to be regretted that in all the years quoted better knowledge has not been acquired of the fundamental principle of unqualified "unhesitating obedience" to the orders of superiors. It is indeed a serious and unexpected state of affairs, when the higher officers of an organization boasting the standing of the C. N. G., stimulate by their example the enlisted men to insubordination. III. The following staff officers of the 1st Regt., C. N. G., are hereby honorably discharged in accordance with law: Capt. and Adj. Phineas H. Ingalls; Capt. and Insp. of Rifle Practice, James B. Houston; Maj. and Surz. Harmon G. Howe; 1st Lt. and Asst. Surg. Samuel B. Childs; Chaplain, James Stoddard. IV. Capt. Alfred L. Thompson, Co. E, 1st Regt., C. N. G., is hereby directed to assume command of the regiment until further orders. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

The following resignations are returned disapproved, and the officers will continue in the performance of their several duties. Special orders will at once be issued from this office for nomination by ballot to fill existing vacancies. 1st Lieut. Henry F. Smith, Co. A; 2d Lieut. James C. Bailey, Co. A; 1st Lieut. Louis B. Hubbard, Co. F; 2d Lieut. Chas. W. Newton, Co. F; 1st Lieut. Henry E. Chapman, Co. H; 1st Lieut. Charles H. Slocum, Co. K; 2d Lieut. Henry H. Saunders, Co. K; 1st Lieut. Morris Penrose, First Signal Corps; 2d Lieut. Henry A. Averett, First Machine Gun Platoon. VI. A careful study of Art. 6, Regulation, C. N. G., 1889, pages 39-46, and the Militia law of the State is commended to all officers of the Connecticut National Guard. It is recommended that commandants read to members of their commands, at the meeting next succeeding the receipt of this order, the whole of Article 6, Reg. C. N. G. A frequent reading at company meetings of pertinent portions of the Regulations and Militia law of the State is suggested as a means of educating the enlisted men in the responsibility resting upon him as a Conn. Nat. Guardsman, who ought to be the highest type of the citizen soldier.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief: ANDREW H. EMBLER, Adjutant-General.

Messrs. Hyde, Gross and Hyde, one of the most

eminent legal firms of Hartford, have prepared a legal opinion on the recent action of the Governor, in dishonorably dismissing the officers in question, and they hold the Governor's action as illegal, and the points raised are serious enough, it is said, to take the case to the Supreme Court. Brig.-Gen. Graham had not resigned at last accounts.

The President of the United States has no power to dismiss an officer from the service, in time of peace, except upon the pursuance of the sentence of a Court-martial. Section 1,229 of the Revised Statutes of the United States says:

"No officer in the military or naval service shall, in time of peace, be dismissed from service except upon and in pursuance of the sentence of a Court-martial to that effect or in commutation thereof."

The officers of the 1st Regiment naturally ask if the Governor of Connecticut in time of peace has greater power than the President of the United States.

## FOURTH NEW JERSEY.—COLONEL WANSEN.

COMPANIES A, F, and D assembled at the barn-like structure known as "Oakland Rink" for battalion drill and presentation of marksman's badges on Jan. 21. The armory it was hoped Jersey City would be provided with yet seems a long way from being a reality, and the companies of the 4th Regiment in consequence will not have an adequate place to drill in for some time to come. Their present headquarters hardly affords sufficient room for a single company to drill, and Oakland Rink, when three companies occupy it, has no room to spare. It is situated on the hill back of Jersey City, about one and three-quarters miles from the so-called armory of the 4th. The "Rink," having been previously used by the "Poverty Musketeers" and the Starlight Ramblers Social Club, etc., for their annual balls, the floor was so heavily waxed that it resembled a slippery ice pond. Fortunately a quantity of sand was sprinkled over the floor just before the arrival of the battalion, otherwise some falls would have been in order. The first company of the battalion arrived at 8.35 p. m., followed by the other two companies, all carrying their rifles. The men presented rather a mixed appearance as they marched in. Some wore the blue State overcoat, and others were clad in civilian overcoats of different shades, and some men wore no overcoats at all.

During roll-call the file closers of one company were busy correcting the deficiencies of waist belts and general dress of a number of the men, not a proper time to correct such deficiency. In another company, after the 1st Sergeant had finished counting fours, and before he reported the company formed to the Captain, the latter made a detail himself of the requisite number of men to report to the Adjutant. The equalization was four companies of twelve files. Line was formed in very fair shape, but the two left companies did not come to a support until after the Adjutant had commanded "guides post." The manual was very irregular and the men unsteady. It is no wonder the Colonel admonished them to "wake up" and "stop talking." The men entitled to the State marksman medal were ordered to the front and centre. The remainder of the command during the presentation was standing at a carry, or rather were supposed to be. It would certainly have been better for the commandant to have ordered "In place rest," for the majority of the men, as soon as the marksman went to the front, enjoyed themselves talking and laughing, raising hands and turning heads. A number stood at ease, and one company came to an order. The Colonel finally ordered it back to a carry, and corrected shortcomings as far as he could. Company drill, however, is where these defects can be corrected. A drill in the school of the battalion followed the presentation of badges. In columns of four the distance between ranks was fairly kept. Forming close columns of companies and divisions to the front was fairly done, but the dressing was slow, and the command "front" was omitted repeatedly. Several advances in line to the front and rear was very well done. The fronts into line were generally poor, the fours coming on very ragged, and the manual was bad. The commandant of one company seemed a trifle doubtful as to whether certain formations were successive or simultaneous. Marching columns of companies and wheeling was very fairly done, as was the drill generally. The manual throughout was very poor, and the laughing and talking throughout the drill very conspicuous. As was remarked previously, company drill is where these deficiencies hail from, and for the good of the regiment they should be corrected. The Colonel was in charge the fore part of the drill, and the Lieutenant-Colonel the latter part. There is great room for improvement.

## MARYLAND.

SPECULATION is rife among the officers of the National Guard of Maryland, says the Baltimore News, as to what will be done by the Legislature at its present session in the way of appropriating money for the militia of the State during the coming two years. The fate of the deficiency bill of \$8,000 which has received the endorsement of Governor Jackson in his message, is looked upon with especial interest. If it fails to pass, the National Guard will be decidedly "in the soup" until next October, as it is a well-known fact that there is little or no money left in the treasury. The 5th Regiment officers are waiting with considerable eagerness to hear whether or not the pay for last summer's encampment, which they donated to help pay the expenses of the regiment's trip to the Constitutional Centennial in New York, is to be returned to them. In some of the commands there is considerable complaint about the alleged unfair distribution of the National Guard funds. Some of the companies declare that the money allotted to them is far below the sum the law allows them, and it is altogether likely that during the present session of the Legislature they will be heard from on the subject.

## VARIOUS.

Secretary H. L. Bloomfield announces that the next games of the 7th Regiment Athletic Association, N. Y., will be held in the armory on Saturday evening, April 12, at 8 o'clock.

Col. Bowman, of the 1st Penn., has appointed Edward V. Stockham, late U. S. A., as adjutant of his regiment. He resigned from the Service a few weeks ago.

The affairs of Co. C, 14th N. Y., according to the reports of the various committees for 1889, are in a decidedly prosperous condition. The report of the treasurer shows an expenditure for the year of \$1,377.49—receipts \$1,444.44, leaving a balance on hand of \$107.05. There has been a net gain of thirty-nine new members during the past year in the company.

The Veteran Corps of the Detroit Light Guard, Detroit, Mich., held a stag party at their armory on Jan. 27. Those receiving invitations were commanded to be present and no excuse was accepted. There was a full attendance, and, of course, a big time.

The figure of merit of each organization of the Connecticut National Guard for the month of December, 1889, based on the drill reports for the month, are as follows: 3d Regt., 98.02; 1st Regt., 98.55; 2d Regt., 97.18; 4th Regt., 95.57; Bat. A, 82.94; 5th Batt., 79.15.

We have received the annual report of Brig.-Gen. J. McDonald, Adjutant-General of Virginia, for the year 1889, and also that of Brig.-Gen. M. L. Bonham, Jr., Adjutant and Inspector-General of South Carolina, for the same period. We hope to refer to them later.

The next battalion drills in the 4th N. Y. will be as follows: Cos. E, K, B, I, and G, Feb. 4, and Cos. A, H, D, F, and C, Feb. 7.

Inspector-General Thos. H. Barber, N. Y., on the inspection returns of the 14th Regiment, says: "The command



presented a very military appearance, and the field officers have had long and honorable service, and are fully competent to maintain a good record of this excellent regiment."

The appropriation for a new armory for the city of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., made on April 10, 1888, is insufficient. Some changes have been made in the plans for the new armory, and it has been necessary to ask for an additional \$15,000, making in all \$50,000. A bill has been introduced in the Senate accordingly.

We regret to learn of the death of Wm. L. Fife, the little three-year-old son of Capt. W. J. Fife, Co. C, 1st Regt., of Tacoma, in the latter city, on Jan. 15. The *Sunday Ledger*, in referring to the sad event, says: Capt. Fife's little son loved everything of a martial nature, and was constantly talking about the soldiers. The little fellow fought the dreaded disease, scarlet fever, for nineteen days, and during all this time his mind was as clear as when well. During his sickness he asked for his little sword, which he kept constantly on his bed, and when he responded to the final roll call he was laid to rest by soldiers whom he loved.

The drill report of the 1st Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, for the year 1889, is as follows:

Company.	Aggregate attendance officers and men.	Average attendance for month.	Number of drills in month.	Hours of drill or study.
A.....	688	44	47	634
B.....	709	41	34	514
C.....	692	49	43	70
D.....	730	50	43	624
E.....	717	49	50	814
F.....	657	43	42	534
G.....	723	49	46	71
H.....	710	51	52	714
I.....	730	50	45	564
J.....	694	49	45	644
K.....	719	49	43	614
L.....	729	52	51	774
Totals.....	8,487	47	539	7044

Co. D, 71st N. Y., Capt. Wm. C. Clark, held their annual reception and drill at the regimental armory on the evening of Jan. 30. It was a notable gathering, and the event was thoroughly enjoyed. The company gave a short drill and demonstrated its ability, both military and socially. Capt. Clark has now served the State of New York in war and peace over 31 years. He joined the old 79th Regt. way back in '59, and served in the Rebellion with it. His company is one of the largest and best in the regiment.

A dress reception and exhibition drill of DeWitt Clinton Commandery No. 27, K. T., under the auspices of Co. K, 47th N. Y., will be held in the Marcy Avenue Armory on Thursday evening, Feb. 6.

The annual reception of Co. D, 14th N. Y., will be held in the armory Feb. 21, the eve of Washington's birthday, on which occasion the members of Co. D, 47th Regt., will be present as guests. The two companies will be formed into a battalion and drill during the early part of the evening, and will be reviewed.

On Jan. 22 the 1st Sep. Co. N. Y., of Penn Yan, Capt. A. Gridley, were mustered from service and the company disbanded, in compliance with an order received from Adj. Gen. Porter. The company was organized June 19, 1875, with 80 members, and has always maintained a high rank in the State. For the last year or two its membership has gradually decreased till it fell below the required quota of 37 men, and disbandment became necessary. They were a fine body of men physically.

The new Drum, Fife and Bugle Corps of the 32d N. Y. will make its first appearance on Feb. 21. It is largely composed of the old 13th Regt. Drum and Bugle Corps.

The officers of the 13th N. Y. are still of various opinions as to which of the plans submitted for the new armory is the best. The plans marked "Vetran," "Mars" and "Brooklyn" seem to be the favorites. The general features of these plans are the same. They each have a basement containing the rifle range, company rooms on the first and mezzanine floors, and officers' quarters on the second floor. The selection of the plans may finally be left to the Armory Commission.

Adj. Gen. and Insp. Gen. T. S. Peck, of Vermont, announces in G. O. 13, Jan. 31, that the commissioned officers of the National Guard will meet for instruction and drill, at Burlington, Vt., Feb. 13 and 19, 1890. Brig. Gen. William L. Greenleaf, commanding brigade, is designated to arrange and conduct the details of instruction as provided in foregoing act. Brig. Gen. William H. Gilmore, quartermaster general, will furnish transportation and pay.

The dispute over the election for Lieutenant colonel of the 23d N. Y. will, it is thought, finally be carried to the courts. It is rumored that the protest of Capt. Hart, which was forwarded to Albany some time since, contains other charges

than that of closing the polls before the time. Some of the witnesses named as being able to establish facts set forth are Col. F. Kopper, 71st Regt.; Lt. Col. G. A. Miller, 12th N. Y.; Maj. W. V. King, Capt. G. E. B. Hart, N. B. Thurston, 22d Regt.; Capt. B. S. Barnard, 12th N. Y.; Capt. F. A. DuBois, 22d Regt.; Capt. Bartlett, Adj. Smith, Lieuts. Beneke, Treadwell, Haws, 22d Regt.; and a supernumerary officer, and Pvt. L. P. Mingey, 22d Regt. Some of these gentlemen will doubtless be surprised to learn they are cited as witnesses in the case for Capt. Hart.

The next battalion drills in the 7th N. Y. will be Cos. D and G, Monday, Feb. 3; C and E, Wednesday, Feb. 5, and A and H, Friday, Feb. 7. Assembly at 8 o'clock P. M. Each battalion of two companies will be divided for instruction into six commands, and sergeants are directed to be prepared to act as officers, and corporals as company guides. Cos. C and F drilled on Jan. 23, and B and I, Jan. 30.

Lt. Col. Geo. M. Moore Smith, 7th N. Y., will complete 30 years of faithful service in that organization on April 20. The colonel is known to be a fine soldier and gentleman. He is also one of the strong men of the regiment, and was one of the original members of the once famous heavy-weight tug of war team of the New York Athletic Club, which with the old S. A. C. team brought this contest into such prominence. We had the honor, however, of lending a helping hand with a rival team to down that of the colonel's some 11 years ago, and succeeded. Gen. Louis Fitzgerald (then lieutenant colonel) was referee.

The 7th N. Y., Col. D. Appleton, will parade for review by General O. O. Howard, U. S. A., at the armory Feb. 14. The marksmen's badges will be presented the same evening.

Col. G. D. Scott, 8th N. Y., directs the regiment to assemble for drill and instruction Friday evenings, Feb. 7 and 14.

The proceedings of the 11th annual convention of the Minnesota National Guard Association, held at St. Paul, Jan. 21 and 22, were very interesting. We hope to be able to refer to them next week.

The 11th annual reception of Co. K, 12th N. Y., the Washington Bugle Corps, took place on the evening of Jan. 23, and was certainly an occasion of rare enjoyment. It was a very happy gathering, and although the company numerically is not the strongest in the regiment, yet the multitude of pretty women who braved the cold wind to honor the event speaks for the popularity of the boys. Among those present from the 12th Regiment were: Capt. E. Roosevelt, Captains C. S. Burns, W. G. Owen, A. H. Macaulay, besides others from this and various other organizations. The unique punch bowl was not the least attraction by any means; it was a good sized cask, with the head taken out and a choice mixture within; on the exterior which had been cleaned and varnished, was painted in bright vermilion the names of the different commanders of the company since its organization as the Black Rifles, May 1, 1847. They were as follows: Reorganized May 3, 1861, Capt. R. H. Olmstead; Capt. H. H. Barclay, May 27, 1863; Capt. C. D. Blair, Jan. 29, 1864; Capt. W. H. Copcutt, May 24, 1866; Capt. J. Fahnestock, Aug. 2, 1867; Capt. J. E. Dowley, Jan. 23, 1870; Capt. E. Packner, April 1, 1874; Capt. W. V. King, Nov. 23, 1881; Capt. H. J. Moody, Sept. 20, 1883; Capt. H. D. Lockwood, May 5, 1884; Capt. John F. Boylan, Oct. 23, 1885.

The Park Commissioners of New York City have decided to ask the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the balance of the \$100,000 appropriated for the new Court-land Park. Of this amount \$7,500 have been used, which leaves an unexpended balance of \$92,500. Estimates have been carefully prepared, and the total amount necessary to fully complete the park is put at \$370,000. The drainage alone will cost \$55,000. Work on the parade ground will be pushed as rapidly as possible, and the latter part of the summer may see a large enough portion completed to admit of drilling a couple of regiments. This, however, is by no means positive.

The Armory Commission of Massachusetts, it is said, is delighted with the work done on the Worcester Armory, and states confidently that everything will have been completed by March 1, the contract date.

The air has been full of rumors with reference to the finding of the Board of Examination in Capt. Belknap's case, but further than the facts given in the JOURNAL last week there was nothing officially new relating to the case at last accounts. It was thought by some that Capt. Belknap would resign and by others he would command his company, but he has done neither. Considerable curiosity is manifest as to why the proceedings have not been made public ere this and a conclusion reached. The officers of the 1st are especially desirous of having the matter settled. "We are heartily sick of the whole business," said one prominent gentleman there, "and why the matter is allowed to drag so long," he continued, "is a myth." Some members of the Board, it is said, concur in the Judge-Advocate-General's opinion, and some do not. The opinion was to the effect that the findings of the Board under the Military

Code were such as to entitle Capt. Belknap to retain his commission, and that it was impossible to dismiss him on the ground of any want of moral character and capacity and general fitness for the Service. The opinion would be an interesting and probably valuable document to make public.

The entries in the Smith and Wesson Revolver Match, at the 7th Regiment rifle gallery, which was shot on Jan. 23, were so numerous that it was impossible to shoot them all off. The remainder will be fired Feb. 1.

We have received one of the handsome invitations for the 16th annual ball of the Montgomery Greys, announced to take place in their armory, in Montgomery, Ala., on Jan. 31, 1890. The event was doubtless, as heretofore, one of the finest of the season.

Brig. Gen. Louis Fitzgerald, 1st Brigade, N. Y., returned to New York after an absence of several weeks on a pleasure trip to the Pacific coast, going as far south as Mexico.

The 23d N. Y. will assemble for review and presentation of marksmen's badges on Feb. 15.

The winner of the Oldenberg Horn, presented by Mr. Edward Kemp for competition among the companies of the 7th N. Y., teams of 25 men, five shots per man, 200 and 500 yards, was won by the team from Co. B, whose aggregate score was 1,051 points out of a possible 1,250. Every company in the regiment sent in a team.

Col. D. S. Brown, Gen. N. W. Day, and Major C. Appleby, a committee from the Memorial Committee, G. A. R., called at the residence of Gen. F. P. Earle, 114 West 33rd street, on the evening of Jan. 23, and presented him with a set of resolutions, handsomely engrossed, in book form, adopted at a regular meeting of the Memorial Committee of the G. A. R., held Monday evening, June 17, 1889, expressing its high appreciation and admiration of General Earle for his earnest efforts for many years, and for his liberal contributions of time, money and energy for the benefit of the Memorial Committee of the G. A. R., of New York.

The four light steel 3.2 inch breechloading field pieces, allotted to the State of New York by the War Department, have been received at the State arsenal, 35th street and 7th avenue, New York City, and together with the carriages and limbers, are stored in the gun room awaiting decision as to their assignment among the three light batteries. Whether the guns will be divided among two of the batteries or be assigned wholly to one of them had not been definitely settled at last accounts. All are anxious to have them. It is thought by some officers competent to judge that it would be more advantageous to assign the four guns to one organization.

Adjutant General Kelton and General Ordway of the District of Columbia militia, appeared before the House Committee on Militia, Jan. 30, and gave testimony in advocacy of the Henderson Militia bill.

#### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Fives.—You stand No. 19 on commissary-sergeants' list.

N. C. Staff.—You stand No. 12 on commissary-sergeants' list.

B.—Membership in the Society of the Army of the Potomac is not hereditary.

T. B. W.—The address of Dr. Hammond, formerly Surgeon General, U. S. A., is Washington, D. C.

E. F. F.—Write to the Chief of the Revenue Marine Division, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

S.—The pay of a chief musician is not affected by Act of May 15, 1872, commonly known as the Wilson Bill.

W. J. S. asks: "If there is, or ever was, a Col. Charles C. Weber on the staff of Governor Hill, of New York?" Ans.—There is not now, nor has there ever been, any officer of that name on Governor Hill's staff.

Old Soldier asks: A soldier is arrested, tried, and convicted by civil authority and gets three months. Is he required to make good this time? Ans.—No. Time lost must be made up only in case of desertion. In this case the soldier did not desert and was not voluntarily absent, but was detained against his will.

Q. M. asks: 1. Has the commissary sergeant stationed at a military post any authority over the post baker, excepting issuing the flour for the baking of bread for enlisted men? Ans.—Not generally, except so far as his position demands when coming in contact with the post baker on

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matters of duty. But at some posts, by special orders of post commanders, commissary sergeants are vested with authority over post bakers.

2. When will monthly payment be made in the Division of the Atlantic, throughout? **Ans.**—That cannot be told. The monthly payment system, however, is spreading. Three posts were added recently, viz.: Forts Porter and Niagara and Frankford Arsenal.

T. P. W., 5th Regt., Decatur, Ill., asks: "Can the command 'double time' be given to troops who are marching in 'common time'?" **Ans.**—Marching in common time, except as funeral escort, is obsolete. An occasion could not arise where "double time" would be ordered from "common time." Read Pars. 2 and 26, Tactics.

A Reader asks: "A company drilling the manual of arms, the command fix bayonets is given. After the movement is completed by dropping the right hand by the side, the command unfix bayonet is given. Can said command be executed, or must the piece be brought to a carry or order arms first, and then to unfix bayonet?" **Ans.**—There is nothing in tactics which prevents the company commander from "unfixing bayonet" immediately after the "fixing," and without coming to the order or carry.

Troop H, 4th Cavalry, Fort Bowie, writes: "The troop is deployed on skirmish line, moving towards the enemy. The instructor commands, 'By the right flank, march.' After moving in the new direction some distance, instructor commands, 'To the rear, march.' Now the question is which is the proper direction in which the troops should move. Towards the instructor or come individually to a right about, if dismounted, or a left about when mounted? And also when on skirmish drill, either mounted or dismounted, which is the proper 'front' and 'rear'?" **Ans.**—The proper front of a skirmish line is always toward the enemy, and if marching by the flank it will be given "to the rear, march," the skirmishers would face to the right or left, as the case may be, their backs being then toward the enemy.

J. J. O'C. writes: "I became a member of the National Guard on Sept. 25, 1888. About three weeks later I was measured for the regulation uniform; but I have not yet been supplied with it. However, I was furnished with an old cast-off uniform at the armory, which I have since been wearing. Will you kindly inform me: 1. Whether there is any means whereby I can obtain my uniform; or,

2. Whether, under the above circumstances, I cannot demand my discharge?" **Ans.**—You are fully entitled to a new uniform, and you are not obliged to wear the cast-off clothing of others. Apply to your captain for the uniform the State agrees to supply you with, and which you are supposed to have, and do not receipt for same until you get it. If you received an order for a new uniform and was measured for it some one else is probably wearing it for you—if it was ever received by the quartermaster. If the captain fails to give you satisfaction, apply to the colonel. You cannot demand your discharge, but you can the uniform.

#### NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The section of Broadway opposite the City Hall Park, where the offices of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL are located, is one of the most delightful regions in the business centre of the city. Half a century ago, it was the home of fashionable residents, and the rooms in which we do our editorial work were, no doubt, the boudoirs of fair ladies, now grandmothers, or mayhap angels. We mean angels in a theological, and not in the euphemistic sense in which the term necessarily applies to all ladies. Our number is 240, and at number 235, only a few doors from us, Philip Hone had his residence sixty years ago. Mr. Hone was born in Dutch street, New York, 110 years ago, and by the diligent pursuit of the business of selling cargoes at auction accumulated a fortune, then considered very large, and by his forthright year was able to retire and devote his energies to public duty and private enjoyment. He was chosen assistant alderman in the days when New York aldermen were citizens of credit and renown, and subsequently was mayor. He was a busy politician and an active society man, and giving seductive entertainments he brought together around his hospitable board some of the most able and influential men of that day. Army and Navy officers seem to have been among his favored friends, and among these were Gen. Scott, Col. James Bankhead, Commo.

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#### ORDNANCE NOTES.

The 15-inch dynamite gun ordered by the Colonial Government of Australia from the Pneumatic Dynamite Gun Company will be sent to the Shoeburyness proving grounds, where British Army officers will carry on a series of tests. A consignment of 100 shells, intended for 500-pound charges of dynamite and explosive gelatine, will also be shipped. The gun is intended for service at the entrance to the harbor at Victoria, Australia, and if the pending tests at Shoeburyness prove satisfactory to the British officers it is expected that the Imperial Government will secure a battery of several dynamite guns for that port. The company is busily engaged preparing the emplacements at Sandy Hook for the reception of the two 15-inch and one 8-inch dynamite guns. The company hopes to have the three guns mounted by the latter part of February.

Trials have recently been made at Essen with Krupp quick-firing guns of 5.11-in. calibre. Their weight is nearly 2½ tons, and their length 13 calibres; the projectile weighs 66.14 lb., and the charge is 17.64 lb. of ordinary powder; the muzzle velocity thus attained is 1,640 ft., and the maximum pressure 2,200 atmospheres. Twelve shots per minute may be fired. Trials similar to those giving these results were made with a powder named "C. 86," furnished by the Rhine and Westphalian factories at Cologne. In the composition of this powder, saltpetre is replaced by nitrate of ammonia; sulphur is used in very small quantities, or is absent altogether, and the carbon is in usual proportion. Smoke and other products of combustion are given off in much less degree, and a projectile of about 67 lb. had an initial velocity of 1,833 ft., with a charge of 14.33 lb. of the powder. The disadvantage of the composition is that it absorbs moisture quickly, and has to be kept hermetically sealed.

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ANDERSON—TAYLOR.—At Boston, Mass., January 29th, LIEUTENANT R. H. ANDERSON, 9th Infantry, to Miss FANNIE TAYLOR. No cards.

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HOOD—CASWELL.—At St. Anne's Church, Annapolis, Md., Jan. 28, by the Rev. Robert N. Merritt, S. T. D., rector of St. Peter's Church, Morristown, N. J., JOHN HOOD, Ensign U. S. Navy, and ROSALIE, daughter of Pay Inspector Thos. T. Caswell, U. S. Navy, and Gertrude F. Caswell.

#### DIED.

AVERY.—At Brooklyn, N. Y., EUPHEMIA and ABEL AVERY, daughter and son of General Robert Avery, U. S. Army, retired.

BARRYMORE.—At Stratford, Conn., January 24, Captain WILLIAM BARRYMORE, master of tugs, New York Navy Yard, and an Acting Master, U. S. Navy, during the war.

CLARY.—At Washington, D. C., Jan. 19, Brevet Brigadier General ROBERT E. CLARY, Colonel U. S. Army, retired.

CUSHING.—At Providence, R. I., Jan. 30th, Mrs. SARAH S. CUSHING, mother of Majors Samuel T. and Harry C. Cushing, U. S. A., aged 75 years.

HAYES.—At New York City, Jan. 28, SUSAN PARKER, widow of Thomas Hayes and sole surviving daughter of the late Commodore William Bainbridge, U. S. Navy.

KELLY.—At Washington, D. C., Jan. 27, Chief Engineer JOHN P. KELLY, U. S. Navy.

MOFFATT.—At Government Hospital, Washington, D. C., January 23, 2d Lieutenant WILLIAM MOFFATT, 2d U. S. Infantry.

PARDEE.—At her home, "Lakeside," Oswego, N. Y., January 23, CAROLINE WEBBER, wife of the late Myron Pardee.

PLUNKETT.—At Wilmington, Del., January 22, JOHN A. PLUNKETT, brother of the late Paymaster George Plunkett, U. S. Navy.

READ.—At Meridian, Miss., CHARLES W. READ, formerly Midshipman, U. S. Navy.

STOLL.—Of pneumonia, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, January 27th, Musician FREDERICK STOLL, Light Battery F, 2d Artillery. Musician Stoll had served nearly twenty-three years in the 2d Artillery as follows: Battery I, three years from Dec. 13th, 1866; Battery G, fifteen years, from Jan. 28th, 1870, and in Light Battery F since May 21st, 1885.

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REPORT OF FIELD INSTRUCTION\*  
OF TROOPS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MISSOURI, 1889.  
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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., 7 P. M., Oct. 1, 1889.

2d Lieut. T. Q. Donaldson, Jr., Adj. 2d Battalion, 7th Cav.:

SIR: In obedience to written instructions this day received (copy attached marked "A") I have the honor to report that at 10.22 this A. M., having arrived at a point of the Bois D'Arc road about 8 miles to the south of the right flank of our line, I proceeded to establish an outpost as follows:

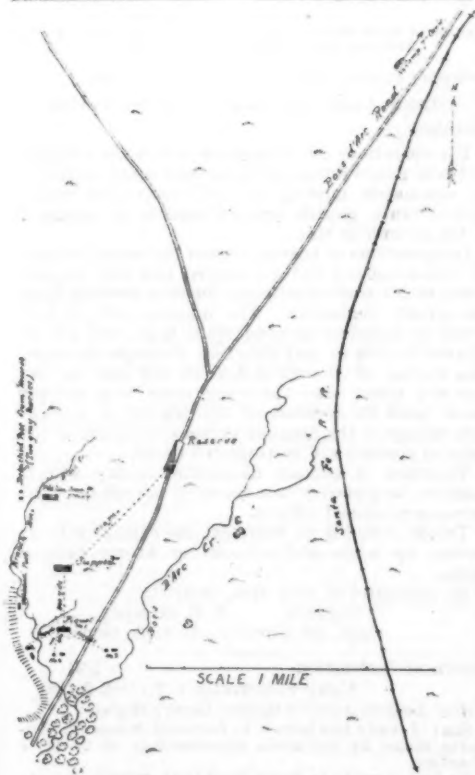
I should first say, however, that I was verbally ordered by Major Whiteside to establish my outpost about 1,000 yards in advance of the point named, which point was occupied by the reserve, as shown on accompanying map—the reserve being in this case the main column.

Riding to the front I discovered that the limits assigned me would throw my vidette line at the foot of a slope along a small branch of Bois d'Arc Creek, commanded on the south and west by the crest of a ridge following the general direction of the Creek, and to my left front by quite a large grove of trees within striking distance. I therefore dispatched a messenger to Major Whiteside to this effect, and advanced my vidette line to overlook the crest of the hills to my front and right, and placed my left vidette post just to the left of the Bois d'Arc road in such position as to command it, and in view of the approaches up the creek towards me. My next post to the right about 500 yards also commanded a view to the right of the grove, and to the front a distance of something over 1,000 yards. My right post was placed about 500 yards further to the west, so as to overlook the crest of the ridge referred to above, and also commanded a good view for a long distance to the front of my posts 2 and 3, my posts being numbered from right to left in regular order, though placed in position in reverse order. After making this disposition I noticed at once that my vidette post No. 1 was too far to the south of the detached post which had been thrown out from the reserve to my right and rear. I ordered out a detached post to the west about midway between this last named one and my No. 1, thus completing the cordon, and the distance being rather beyond the limit, I connected this outpost No. 1 by a connecting sentinel, mounted.

In the meantime Major Whiteside had ordered up an additional support of one platoon—Troop M, 7th Cavalry—and I had taken position about 500 yards to the right and rear of my own support with good ground for defence either to the front or right.

The weak point of my line being the left and front, I kept the timber and approaches from that direction constantly patrolled, and the conduct of my non-commissioned officers and senior privates in the performance of this important duty was very satisfactory. The enclosed map will show positions taken. A few moments after taking first position I was notified that a force was advancing towards our left flank, and I deployed both my picket and support into a skirmish line to the left to repel such attack.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) W. W. ROBINSON, JR.,  
1st Lieut. 7th Cavalry, Comdg. Troop D.



Map showing Disposition of Troop D, 7th Cavalry, as Outpost to 2d Battalion, 7th Cavalry, October 1, 1889.

IN THE FIELD, Oct. 1, 1889—10.22 A. M.

1st Lieut. W. W. Robinson, Jr., Comdg. Troop D, 7th Cavalry:

SIR: The Battalion Commander directs that during the halt of the battalion at this point, your troop perform outpost duty for the protection of the command against an attack, and for giving warning of the approach of an enemy. As the left flank of the command is protected by the 3d Bat-

tion, you will so distribute your men as to more carefully watch the country to the front and west of the column.

You will also on your return to camp make a report of the method you followed in performing the above indicated duties, and submit a map showing the distribution of your troop while on outpost duty. Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed) T. Q. DONALDSON, JR.,  
2d Lieut. 7th Cavalry, Adjutant 2d Battalion.

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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 1, 1889.

To the Acting Adjutant, 7th Cavalry:

SIR: In obedience to letter dated Hdqrs. Cavalry Brigade, Camp Schofield, I. T., Sept. 29, 1889, I left the 7th Cavalry camp with battalion 7th Cavalry—Troops F, H, and K—at 8.03 A. M., marching at a walk almost due west. On reaching camp part of wagon train, the course was changed southwest. An advance guard of one-quarter strength of command was thrown out at 8.20 A. M. under command of 1st Lieut. H. L. Scott, 7th Cavalry. Crossed under A. T. and S. F. R. R., 8.35 A. M., and reached the Ponca road, turned south at 8.40 A. M., crossing Chillicothe Creek at 8.45. At 8.50 the first fork of Ponca road was reached; a halt of five minutes was made.

Troop K, 7th Cavalry, under command of Captain E. G. Matthey, 7th Cavalry, was detached and ordered to remain at that point as a support for the 2d and 3d Battalions, 7th Cavalry, moving to the front on the Bois d'Arc and Ponca roads respectively. At 8.55 the march was resumed, the 2d Battalion was seen just disappearing on the Bois d'Arc road, 500 yards distant. At 9.13 a flanker of the advance guard reported a small body of men moving in the same direction as our line of march, about one mile to our left and the same distance to our front. At 8.45 halted on the high ground at the head of Deer Creek, 3½ miles south of Chillicothe Creek on Ponca road; three double vidette posts were immediately established at the proper distances to the front and flanks, the advance guard was withdrawn and three patrols under non-commissioned officers, consisting of three men and a non-commissioned officer each, were sent out, one to the right, to gain touch with 2d Battalion, 7th Cavalry, one to the front to reconnoitre, one to the left to gain touch with Infantry. At 11.20 three troops of cavalry were seen to our right (west) about 2½ miles, marching south. At 11 A. M. Lieut. Dodge, A. D. C., visited the command, coming from the right (west) and moved to the left (east). At 11.05 A. M. the horses were watered, one-half at a time. At 11.15 all videttes relieved and others posted. All patrols returned at 11.20 A. M., the right patrol reporting the 2d Battalion, 7th Cavalry 2½ miles to our right and one mile to our front; the left patrol reported a small Infantry post, non-commissioned officers, in the valley of Deer Creek, which disappeared rapidly on the approach of the patrol, command not known. No information gained by patrol sent to the front.

At 12.10 P. M., Lieut.-Colonel Carlton visited the command, coming from the right, and remained until 12.42, leaving, he departed in a westerly direction. At 12.45 General Forsyth arrived, coming from the east, and gave the following order:

"Withdraw your command as soon as Maj. Bacon has crossed Deer Creek on his return from south of that stream, and send word, as soon as you begin the movement, to Major Whiteside to withdraw his command." He left at 12.50, going north on Ponca trail. At 1.30 mounted men were seen in valley of Deer Creek, three miles east. At 1.45 the head of a column of cavalry was seen to the southeast, 3½ miles distant, travelling northeast: this column crossed Deer Creek at 2.15 and consisted of four troops of cavalry.

Being convinced from report of my patrols—2.50 P. M.—that this command was Major Bacon's, a messenger was at once despatched to Major Whiteside with General Forsyth's message. A rear guard of ¼ of the command was first placed in position under command of 1st Lieut. H. L. Scott, 7th Cav. All patrols had returned, the videttes were withdrawn, a small advance guard—non-commissioned officer and three men—sent out, the command began the return march at 3 P. M., on the Ponca trail. \* \* For the purpose of instruction the videttes were relieved regularly and new ones posted.

Distance marched 12 miles.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed) T. A. BALDWIN.

Major 7th Cav., Comdg. 3d Battalion, 7th Cav.

CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 2, 1889.

Respectfully forwarded. I visited this battalion about noon; it was correctly posted.

(Signed) C. H. CARLTON.

Lieut.-Colonel 7th Cav., Comdg. Regiment.

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HEADQUARTERS 2D BATTALION,  
1ST BRIGADE, INFANTRY DIVISION,  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 1, 1889.

The Acting Assistant General, 1st Brigade, Infantry Division:

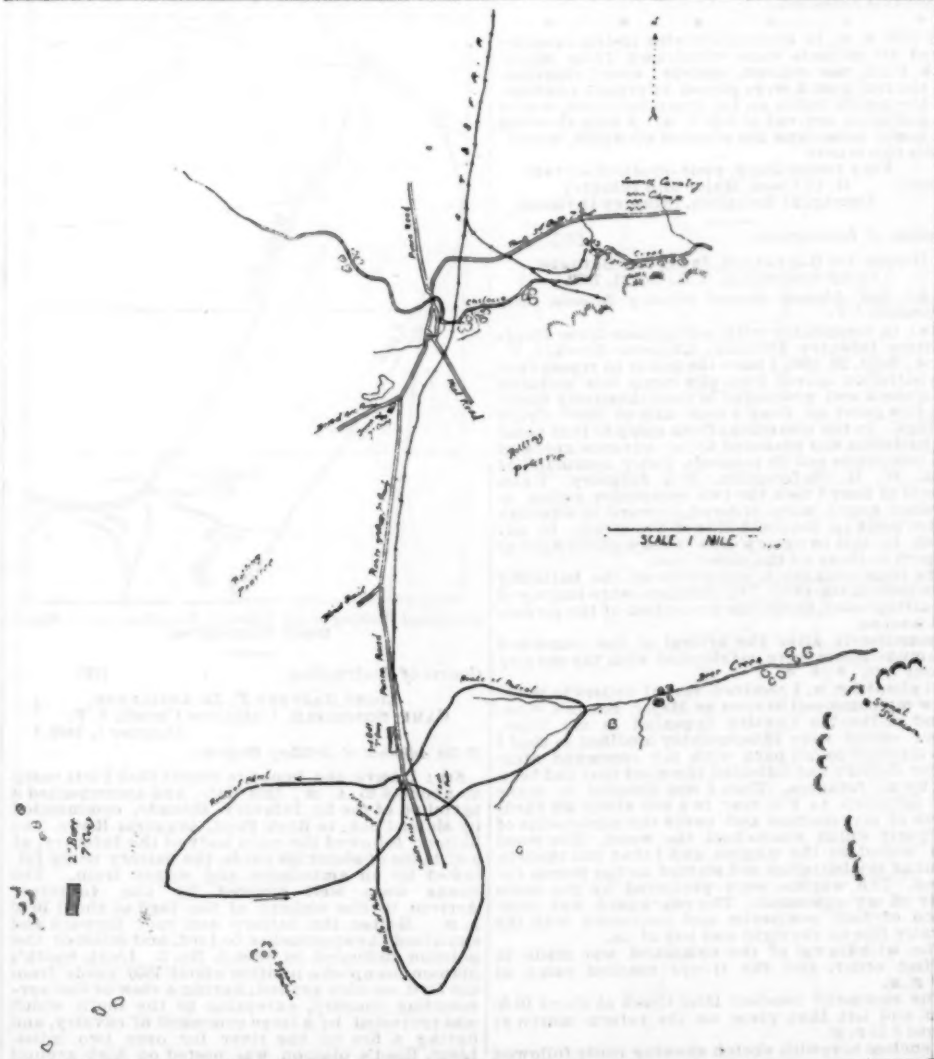
SIR: Pursuant to orders dated Sept. 29, from Headquarters 1st Brigade, Infantry Division, Camp Schofield, I. T., I have the honor to report that at 8 A. M. this date, the 2d Battalion, 1st Brigade, Infantry Division, was formed and when about a mile from camp, after crossing a gulch an advance guard was established for the battalion. An escort to the convoy was also established.

The march of the column was then continued to Rock Ford where it arrived at 10.45 A. M.

Four companies of this battalion were placed in position on the high land on the west side of the Arkansas River and on the south side of a creek (name unknown.) This position was deemed the most desirable and strongest for the purposes of defence of the left flank, commanding all approaches from the south and the opposite side of the Arkansas River, as well as the fordable place. Two outposts were here established on a line extending westward and about 1500 yards from the crest of the hill overlooking the creek south therefrom.

From the companies here stationed, in addition to the two outposts before mentioned, a competent support was available for the battery of artillery accompanying this battalion, which took its position at this point commanding Rock Ford and the adjacent country.

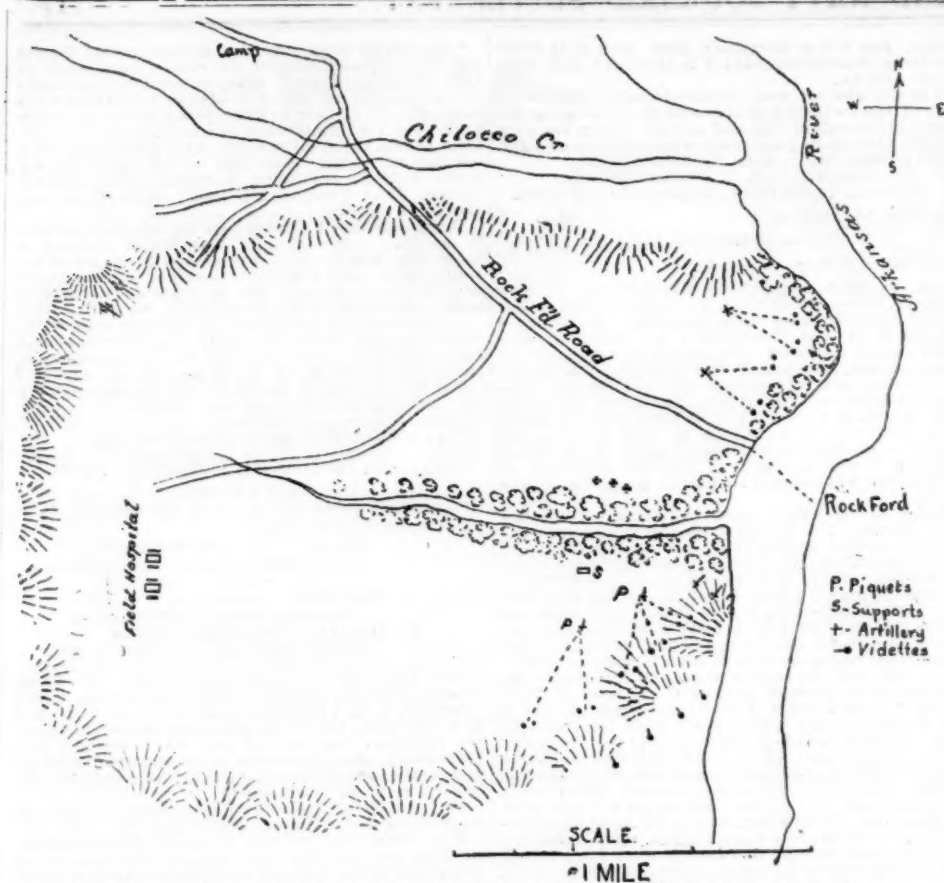
On the opposite side of the creek, and the west side of the Arkansas river, near the crossing thereof at Rock Ford, were stationed two companies of this



Sketch Map of Route, 3d Battalion, 7th Cavalry, Oct. 1, 1889.

\* Continued from Supplement of last week, p. 16.





Map Accompanying Report of Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 1st Brigade Infantry, Oct. 1, 1889.

battalion in a commanding position. From these two companies there were established two outposts about 600 yards apart along the Arkansas river. The disposition of the troops as above-mentioned was deemed the most desirable for the defence of the left flank, and in accordance with instructions. All the outposts were regularly relieved during the time they occupied the positions as above described, and all sentries, pickets, supports, and reserve were vigilant and attentive in the performance of their duties.

After the position had been selected and the outposts well established, such men as could be spared were employed in collecting dry wood along the creek, and filling the five wagons which accompanied this battalion.

At 2:30 P. M. in accordance with instructions received all outposts were withdrawn from about Rock Ford, the column, convoy, escort thereof, and the rear guard were placed in proper position, and the march taken up for Camp Schofield, where the battalion arrived at 5:10 P. M. A map showing the route taken and the position occupied, accompanies this report.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) H. C. COOK, Major 13th Infantry,  
Comdg. 2d Battalion, Infantry Division.

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HDQRS. 1st BATTALION, INFANTRY BRIGADE,  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 1, 1889.

The Act. Asst. Adjutant General Infantry Brigade, Camp Schofield, I. T.:

SIR: In compliance with instructions from Headquarters Infantry Division, Chilocco Creek, I. T., 5 P. M., Sept. 29, 1889, I have the honor to report that this battalion moved from this camp this morning at 8 o'clock and proceeded in a southeasterly direction to a point on Deer Creek named Deer Creek Springs. In the movement from camp to that point the battalion was preceded by an advance guard of two companies and 28 pioneers, under command of Capt. W. H. McLaughlin, 18th Infantry. Upon arrival at Deer Creek the two companies acting as advance guard were ordered forward to establish picket posts on the south side of the creek. In addition to this two companies were sent forward as support to those on the picket line.

The remaining three companies of the battalion were held in reserve. The foragers were employed in cutting wood, under the protection of the pickets and reserve.

Immediately after the arrival of the command communications were established with the cavalry on our left.

At about 2 P. M. I received verbal orders to withdraw my command as soon as Major Bacon's command of the 7th Cavalry appeared in my front. These orders were subsequently modified so that I was directed to fall back with my command after Major Bacon's had collected the wood that had been cut by my foragers. Then I was directed to move the battalion to the rear to a hill about 400 yards north of my position and cover the movements of the party which was to load the wood. The wood was loaded in the wagons, and I then put them in front of my battalion and started on the march for camp. The wagons were protected by the main body of my command. The rear guard was composed of four companies and connected with the cavalry line on the right and left of us.

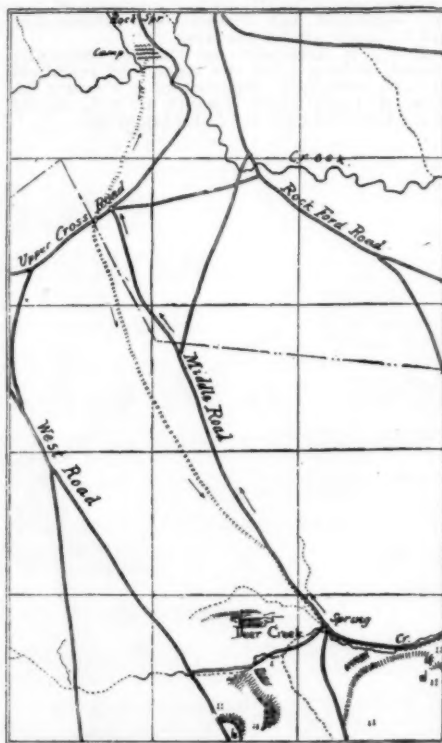
The withdrawal of the command was made in perfect order, and the troops reached camp at 4:50 P. M.

The command reached Deer Creek at about 10:30 A. M. and left that place on the return march at about 3:15 P. M.

I enclose herewith sketch showing route followed

by my command to Deer Creek, position of troops, and route returning.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) GEO. K. BRADY,  
Major 18th Infantry, Comdg.



Route and Position of 1st Infantry Battalion, Oct. 1, 1889, Major Brady, Commanding.

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LIGHT BATTERY F, 2d ARTILLERY,  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, CHILOCCO CREEK, I. T.,  
October 1, 1889.

To the Adjutant of Artillery Brigade:

SIR: I have the honor to report that I left camp at about 8:15 A. M., this date, and accompanied a battalion of the 1st Infantry Brigade, commanded by Major Cook, to Rock Ford, Arkansas River. The battery followed the main body of the Infantry, at a distance of about 150 yards, the battery being followed by an ambulance and wagon train. The flanks were well covered by the Infantry. Arrived in the vicinity of the ford at about 10:30 A. M. Halted the battery and rode forward and examined the approaches to ford, and selected the position indicated in Sketch No. 2. Lieut. Smith's platoon occupied a position about 1500 yards from the ford, on high ground, having a view of the surrounding country, excepting to the south, which was protected by a large command of cavalry, and having a fire up the river for over two miles. Lieut. Reed's platoon was posted on high ground

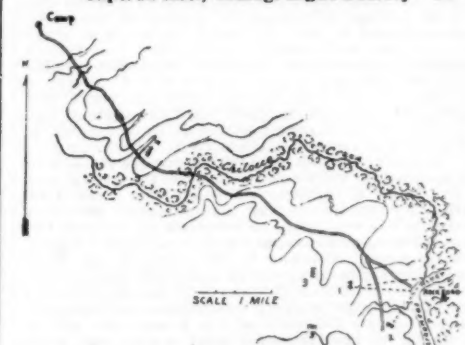
only about 800 yards from the ford, in a very commanding position, and having a cross fire with that from the other platoon. The dotted line on sketch No. 2 shows the scope of fire of these platoons. Lieut. Reed's position was concealed from view from the east bank of the river, by rising ground on his right, and had it been necessary for him to retire he could have moved by the left flank, and taken position either alongside of the other platoon, or on rising ground about 500 yards in rear of the caissons, to which the other platoon could have withdrawn.

Remained in position until 3 P. M., when by order, returned to camp, making several halts en route, and coming into battery, faced to the rear as shown on Sketch No. 1.

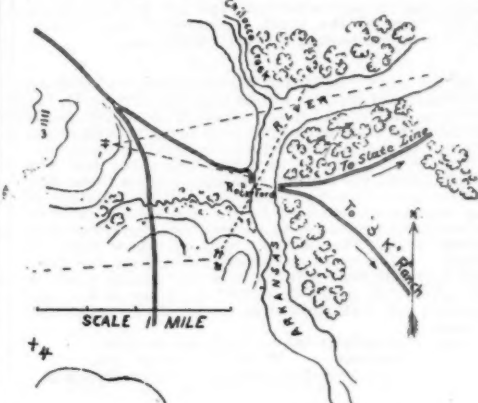
The main body of the infantry and the wagon train moved by, to the rear, when the battery resumed its march.

In harness 9 hours, distance marched (by odometer) 15 miles.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) CARLE A. WOODRUFF,  
Capt. 2d Art., comdg. Light Battery "F."



Sketch of Line of March from Camp to Rock Ford and return Oct. 1, 1889, No. 1.



Position of Light Battery "F," 2d Artillery, at Rock Ford, Arkansas River, I. T., Oct. 1, 1889, No. 2.

## Course of Instruction. [22]

HDQRS. CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 2, 1889.

Circular.

The operations for to-morrow will be in advance and rear guard duties, outposts and hostile contact. All commands moving out will cover their fronts with advance guards proportioned to the strength of the column in rear.

In operations of hostile contact the senior colonel of this command will be umpire, and will be provided with a staff of assistant umpires detailed from the cavalry regiments. The umpires will be followed by orderlies carrying white flags, and will be allowed to ride in any direction through the lines. The waving of the white flag on any part of the line will mean that the firing must stop at that point until the decision of the umpire is known. The rulings of the umpires on the application of the rules of contact will be respected by all.

The rules of contact distributed to-day will, if possible, be placed in the hands of all officers and non-commissioned officers.

Troops detailed to represent the enemy will be known by white stable frocks or brown fatigue coats.

By command of Brig.-Gen. Merritt:  
(Signed) J. B. BABCOCK,  
Capt. 5th Cavalry, A. A. General.

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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

Acting Assistant Adjutant General, Cavalry Brigade:

SIR: I have the honor to forward maps and reports made by battalion commanders of to-day's practice.

To find a route to Rock Ford that would not expose the column to view from the camps, required a long detour, so that we only arrived at the ford a few minutes before the enemy appeared. Major Babcock explained to me that it was supposed we were engaged in crossing and had thrown forward a picket when the enemy appeared, and that our other detachments were moved forward as they crossed, and as the enemy developed his force.

By some error the first appearance of the enemy was not signaled to me, so the first detachments to support the pickets were not sent forward as soon as desirable. Captain Mathey had charge of the picket with Lieut. Garlington supporting him.

Major Bacon with the other two troops of his bat-



talion, covered the right of our line. Major Baldwin with three of his troops in line and one in reserve covered the left of the line.

Captain Moylan's battalion of three troops was held in reserve; as the line advanced one of his troops, under Lieut. Tompkins, was sent to the right to cover the two crossings of the Chillicothe, and support Major Bacon's line, and one under Lieut. Scott was dismounted to fill a gap between Major Bacon and Major Baldwin, and one troop of Major Bacon's under Lieut. Garlington, was sent to extend the left of Major Baldwin's line.

Captain De Rudio's troop remained in reserve and support to Battery F, 4th Artillery, under command of Captain G. B. Rodney, which occupied positions opposite and in rear of the centre of the line.

When the picket was sent forward from the ford, a small detachment was sent to occupy the first crossing of the Chillicothe and cover the right, and a small detachment on east bank of Arkansas River to cover our rear. A mounted detachment was placed several hundred yards beyond the left of the line to cover that flank.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) C. H. CARLTON,  
Lieut.-Colonel 7th Cav.

Course of Instruction. [24]  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

To the Regimental Adjutant, 7th Cavalry:

SIR: In obedience to verbal instructions this morning received, I have the honor to submit the following report:

My battalion mounted at 7:30 this a. m. and proceeded, as part of the regiment under command of the lieutenant-colonel, to the Rock Ford crossing of the Arkansas River. Arriving at the crossing the battalion was formed in line facing west, and stable frocks and fatigue jackets were substituted by the enlisted men for the regulation blouse. Immediately thereafter the first troop (K) of the battalion was detailed for picket duty, shortly afterwards followed by the fourth troop (L) as a support.

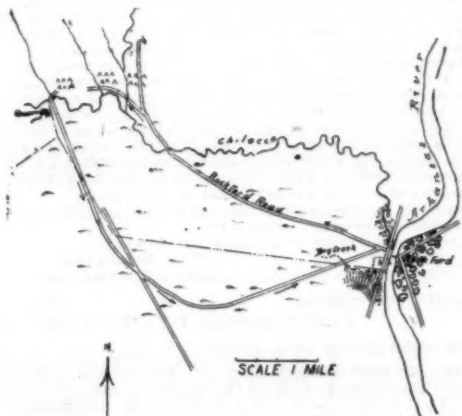
I formed the remaining two troops (B and D) as dismounted skirmishers and moved forward by direction of the commanding officer, as the right flank of our line during the engagement.

I joined my left to the right of the line occupied by Captain Mathey, meeting but little opposition from the enemy.

Seeing the enemy display himself on our extreme right, I communicated the fact to the commanding officer, and soon afterwards saw a troop of our cavalry take position to my right and rear. I observed no further demonstrations in that direction.

The troops under my command conducted themselves throughout with the steadiness and precision of men on drill.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) JNO. M. BACON,  
Major 7th Cavalry.



Major Bacon's Report of Operations October 3.

Course of Instruction. [25]  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., October 3, 1889.

To the Regimental Adjutant, 7th Cavalry:

SIR: In compliance with verbal instructions from the colonel commanding, I have the honor to submit the following report:

At 7:45 a. m. my battalion left Camp Schofield, in rear of the 1st battalion, 7th Cavalry, and remained in column until Rock Ford, on the Arkansas River, was reached. For the route travelled see the accompanying map.

As soon as the ford was reached, I formed the battalion in line, dismounted it, and directed that the troops put on their stable frocks. The line was formed in rear of the 1st battalion, which had also been dismounted. After remaining in this position for some time, I received orders from the colonel commanding to move my battalion to the left under cover, dismount it to fight on foot, and to extend the line of the 1st battalion, which was already advancing on our right. I moved my battalion to the left in column of fours at a fast trot, changed direction to the right, and formed line to the left so as to be under cover, and at the same time be directly in rear of the position I was ordered to take.

I there formed "line of double columns," dismounted the troops to fight on foot, and advanced a skirmish line to the front to connect with the left of the line of skirmishers of the 1st Battalion. Having previously directed that each "No. 4" of the first platoon of each troop should hold eight horses. One platoon of each troop was held about 200 yards in rear of the firing line as a support, and one troop (Captain Edgerly's) was held in echelon, in rear of the left flank as a reserve.

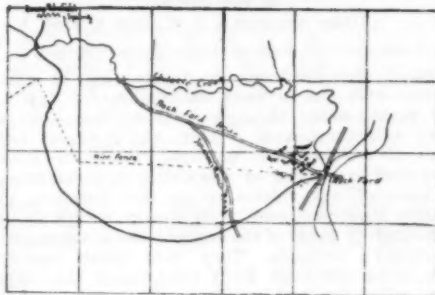
Just as the advance was begun, one troop of the enemy dashed in on the left flank of the 1st Battalion and claimed the capture of the dismounted troop on that flank (Lieut. Garlington's). At this time, my line was about 300 yards in rear of the line of the 1st Battalion. The advance was made by rushes of from thirty to forty yards in length, and

was continued until the firing line had reached the firing line of the 1st Battalion. \* \* \*

The advance was then renewed and Lieut. Garlington's troop having been ordered to report to me, was placed on the left of the line.

After the firing line had reached a position about 350 yards from the enemy, who appeared not to return our fire, the firing on both sides was discontinued and the troops were withdrawn. For an idea of the positions of the 2d Battalion during the advance, see accompanying map.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) T. A. BALDWIN,  
Major 7th Cav., Comdg. 2d Battalion.



Major Baldwin's Report of Operations October 3.

Course of Instruction. [26]  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

To the Acting Adjutant, 7th Cavalry:

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the part taken by the battalion under my command in the operations of to-day:

Left camp at about 7:30 a. m., and marched across the Chillicothe Creek, as part of the 7th Cavalry column, when I received orders from the lieutenant-colonel commanding to march my battalion in rear of Light Battery F, 4th Art., which was closed upon the two leading battalions, 7th Cavalry. I marched in this position to Rock Ford of the Arkansas River. Upon arriving at Rock Ford, I was ordered by the regimental commander to place one of my troops in position as support for the battery; Captain De Rudio, commanding Troop H, was assigned to this duty. The other two were placed as supports for the dismounted skirmish line of the 1st and 2d Battalion, 7th Cavalry.

In about 15 minutes after making those dispositions, I was directed to dismount one of the two troops supporting the dismounted skirmish line, and deploy it to fill a gap between the 1st and 2d Battalion skirmish lines. Troop F, under Lieut. Scott, was placed in this position.

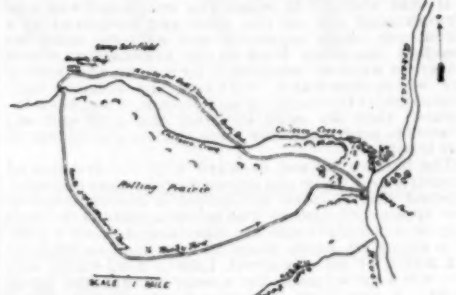
Troop A, under Lieut. Tompkins, was continued in position as support for the right of the dismounted skirmish line.

Having made the disposition referred to and being without command, I reported to the lieutenant-col-

onel commanding and was directed to accompany him, which I did during the rest of the action.

I submit herewith report of Lieut. Tompkins of the part taken, on the right of the line, by Troop A, 7th Cavalry. I also submit sketch of the march to Rock Ford and return.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) M. MOYLAN,  
Capt. 7th Cav., comdg. 3d Battalion, 7th Cav.



To accompany Capt. Moylan's Report of Operations, Oct. 3.

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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

Capt. M. Moylan, 7th Cavalry, Comdg. 3d Battalion 7th Cav.:

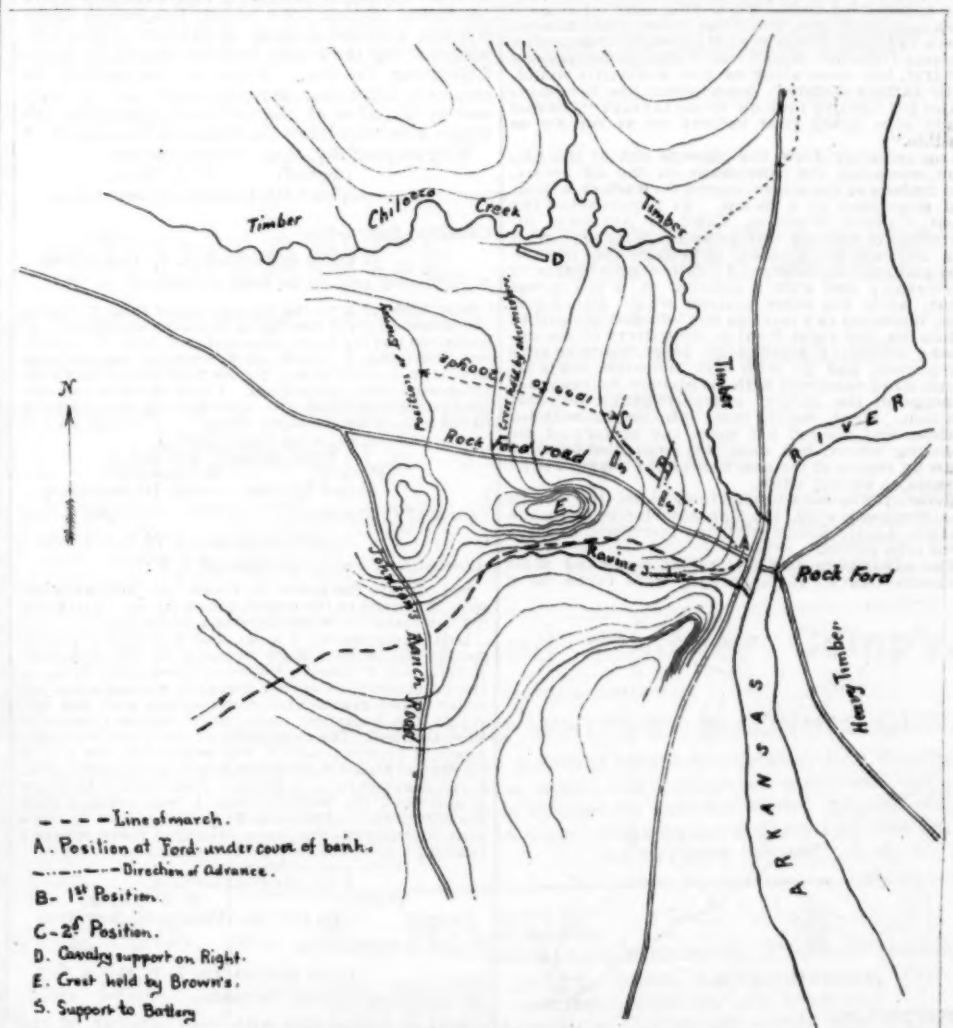
SIR: Pursuant to instructions I have the honor to submit the following report: At about 10 a. m. this morning, after firing had commenced, I was ordered to take Troop A, 7th Cavalry, and act as support to the 1st Battalion, which was dismounted and on the right of the line. I moved the troop to the proper place in rear of the battalion, keeping the men mounted and sabres drawn. Thinking the enemy, under cover of Chillicothe Creek, might attempt to turn our right, I had the creek scouted by men from my troop. The scouts signaled to me that the enemy was approaching. I moved the troop nearer the creek and dismounted to fight on foot, leaving one man mounted to hold eight horses, and having the horses sheltered in a small ravine. I discovered the enemy on my right and front, and I think that he had one and possibly two troops in line moving westward. I placed my dismounted men in a good position, covering the ford of Chillicothe Creek, and was prepared to fire on the enemy should he attempt to force the ford; he, however, saw my scouts and did not attack me. One of my scouts having reported to me that the enemy had withdrawn, I mounted my troop and joined my battalion.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Signed) S. R. H. TOMPKINS,  
2d Lieut. 7th Cav., Comdg. Troop A.

Course of Instruction. [28]  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

To Lieut. C. D. Parkhurst, Adjutant Artillery Battalion:

SIR: I have the honor to report that, in compli-



To Accompany Report of Capt. Rodney, 4th Artillery, Oct. 3, 1889.



ance with verbal instructions received from the Chief of Artillery, this battery reported to Col. Forsyth, 7th Cavalry, at the 7th Cavalry camp, about 7.15 A. M. this date. Col. Forsyth directed me to report to Lieut.-Col. Carlton, who ordered me to cross the Chillicothe Creek at the ford opposite the right flank of the 7th Cavalry camp and, as the regiment passed, to take my place in the column in rear of the 2d Battalion.

It was about 7.45 when the command was well straightened out on the road, and we moved by a circuitous route southerly and easterly until we reached the Rock Ford on the Arkansas, at which point we were all assembled by 9 A. M., and nearly the whole command, including the battery, concealed under the banks of said stream. I had been informed that we were to cover the ford and endeavor to push back any force that might appear in our front.

The battery moved forward with the first line of supports and when the skirmishers became engaged opened fire, in order to compel a development of our opponent's force. The latter appeared in force opposite our right and fire was opened from a position about 500 yards from the ford. The range as estimated by me was about 1,800 to 2,000 yards, and fire was kept up until the enemy disappeared from sight. A few shots were also directed on a prominent position on the enemy's right which appeared to be held in force.

As our line again advanced the battery moved forward and went into position at a point about 1,200 yards from the enemy, opening fire on his right. While in this position two pieces of artillery appeared on the crest, near the enemy's centre, and eight shots were fired at them before they opened fire. At this time I was ordered to cease firing and shortly after received orders to return to camp.

A sketch of the ground is enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) GEO. B. RODNEY  
Captain 4th Artillery, Comdg. Light Bat. F.

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LIGHT BATTERY F, 2d ARTILLERY,  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, CHILICOOT CREEK, I. T.,  
October 3, 1889.

To the Adjutant Artillery Brigade:

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that I left my camp at 9 o'clock A. M. this date and followed the infantry brigade, marching by en route to the position ordered to be taken up by them at the fork of the Rock Ford and Johnson's Ranch roads. Immediately after leaving camp, our column was halted for some time; from this position skirmish firing could be heard in the distant front; somewhere near the position the infantry were ordered to occupy.

Soon after resuming our march, distant cannonading could be heard. Nearing Chillicothe Creek, the infantry halted for a short rest. I ordered my battery to take the left of the road and continue its march, in anticipation of the battery being required at the front.

Before I had passed the infantry, Lieut. Foster, R. Q. M., 5th Cavalry, gave me the following order: "Col. Wade directs you to come to the front as rapidly as possible; gallop when you can." I at once took up a brisk trot, but at the crossing of Chillicothe Creek the Chief Trumpeter 5th Cavalry delivered a message from Col. Wade, viz.: "The colonel says do not trot, but come along as you ordinarily would, until further orders." Soon after the Sergeant-Major 5th Cavalry rode up to me saying: "Colonel Wade says bring your battery up as rapidly as possible."

I immediately drew the caissons out of the column, mounting the cannoners on the off horses, and limbers of the pieces, moved forward at a trot, and sometimes at a gallop. As I approached the front, Colonel Williston, Chief of Artillery, directed me to halt my battery and ride forward with him to view the ground, and ordered me to have one platoon in readiness to follow up a charge of the cavalry and gain a position on a hill in our front, while the other platoon would follow him (Col. Williston) to a crest on our left and come into action on the right front of the battery of the opposing forces. I detailed 1st Lieut. Smith to take his platoon and go with Col. Williston, while 1st Lieut. Reed remained with his platoon to take advantage of the cavalry charge to gain a desirable position. Lieut. Smith came into action with his platoon and opened fire upon the battery of the opposing forces, but soon was compelled to withdraw by reason of the nearness of the enemy's skirmishers on his left flank.

Before the cavalry charge took place, the action was decided ended, the opposing forces being the victors, Lieut. Reed's platoon, therefore, did not come into action.

The caissons meanwhile, under command of 1st Sergeant Charles R. Krauthoff, were taken to a

secure position about 7 or 800 yards in rear of Lieut. Reed's platoon, but in view of the entire battery.

Returning, arrived at camp at about noon. Distance marched by caissons  $6\frac{1}{2}$  miles, by the pieces a trifle more. The odometer was attached to one of the caisson's wheels.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) CARLE A. WOODRUFF,  
Capt. 2d Art., comdg. Light Battery "F."

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HEADQUARTERS 5TH U. S. CAVALRY,  
IN THE FIELD,  
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

The Acting Assistant Adjutant-General, Cavalry Brigade:

SIR: I have the honor to report that, in compliance with the enclosed instructions of Oct. 2, and verbal order through A. D. C. this A. M. to delay movement until 9 A. M., the regiment left camp at 9 o'clock this morning, moved on Rock Ford road to crossing of the Chillicothe, which being the limit of our vidette line in this direction, an advance guard was sent to the front; within about four hundred yards of the crossing the advance met the enemy's outposts. They were driven rapidly back along the Rock Ford road, below the ridge from which the ford is visible. The regiment was deployed to the right and left and there was some dismounted skirmishing. Almost immediately upon reaching the crest of the ridge the enemy developed his force sufficiently to show that he had at least one regiment of cavalry and one battery of artillery on this side of the river.

My orders required that I should now fall back upon the infantry position, but being only four hundred yards from the junction of the Rock Ford and Johnson's Ranch roads and on the ground the infantry would occupy, and the infantry and artillery being still in the rear in a position where they could not deploy, I was obliged to hold the ground occupied. As the enemy seemed inclined to move to our left, I sent orders for the dismounted cavalry on that flank to amuse him and draw him as far that way as possible, and having located the troops opposite our right, I formed four troops, mounted, and held them in reserve on our right. At this time the artillery arrived, one platoon going to our left, and I understand being considered disabled by the enemy's artillery fire; the other was held below the crest of the hill near the mounted cavalry, which it was intended to accompany in a movement against the enemy's left flank. At this time the infantry was coming up and had commenced to move to the right and left to deploy and take the positions held by the four troops of dismounted cavalry. A white flag was then waved and all movements suspended on our side, although the dismounted line of the enemy continued to work to the front, in plain view of our line, which could not fire, and his artillery continued to fire notwithstanding the almost constant waving of white flags along the line. While in this position the umpire decided that my line could not be held, and by direction of the Division Commander the troops were withdrawn and returned to camp. \* \*

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) J. F. WADE,  
Colonel 5th Cavalry, Commanding.

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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

To Regimental Adjutant, 5th Cavalry Present:

SIR: Referring to the operations of to-day, I have the honor to state that three (3) of the troops of my battalion having been detached and sent to different positions, I could only exercise supervision over the fourth troop to see that the colonel's instructions were carried out. I sent word to the colonel commanding on one occasion of the position of the enemy on the right flank.

I am, sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
(Signed) G. RUSSELL,  
Major 5th Cav., comdg. 1st Battalion.

#### Course of Instruction. [32]

CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

Adjutant, 5th Cavalry, Camp Schofield, I. T.:

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report in regard to the action taken by my battalion (2d, 5th Cavalry) in the exercises of to-day.

Left camp about 9 A. M., and marched in the direction of the Rock Ford crossing of the Arkansas River. After crossing Chillicothe Creek, one troop of the battalion (A, Captain Augur's) was detached by order of the regimental commander, and did not rejoin the battalion again until the conclusion of the exercises. The remainder of the battalion composed of Troops G and F, was ordered to the left of the line to guard the horses and as support to the force engaged on that flank. Just before the firing commenced the second time, I was ordered with the battalion to the right flank and placed in position to support the troops engaged there, where I remained until the close of the exercises.

Very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
(Signed) E. M. HAYES,  
Capt. 5th Cav., Comdg. 2d Battalion.

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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889

The Regimental Adjutant, 5th Cavalry:

SIR: In compliance with your circular of this date, I have the honor to report the operations of my battalion this A. M.

My position was third in the regimental column

and moved out on the road leading to the Rock Ford under command of the colonel commanding.

On approaching the enemy's line, one troop (B) was detached by order of the colonel commanding. With the other two troops, I, in the absence of other orders, followed the 2d Battalion in column of fours, going to the left and opposite the right of the enemy's line, and halted under cover of the crest of the hill and awaited orders. I applied to one of the aides for orders (Lieut. Foster) and receiving none, I remained there for about two minutes, and then on the intimation that the enemy was moving on our right, I moved in column of fours to the right near the Butte, and by order of Colonel Wade dismounted and deployed one troop to fight on foot. Quite soon after opening fire on the enemy's left, I was requested to cease firing by one of the umpires. Firing was resumed after an interval (during which the enemy continued to approach our line) when I was directed to cease firing by the Brigade Commander.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) A. E. WOODSON,  
Capt. 5th Cavalry, Comdg. 3d Battalion.

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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

To the Adjutant, 5th Cavalry:

SIR: I have the honor to render the following report of the part taken by troops under my command in the affair of this morning:

My troop, H, 5th Cavalry, was the second in the first battalion, and upon approaching the ford of Chillicothe Creek, I was ordered to deploy as advanced guard on the Rocky Ford Road, and to exercise especial vigilance on the right flank. After getting across the creek, I sent forward a point and right and left flankers thereto, also a patrol to flank the support on the right. My point having advanced about 200 yards reported the enemy's vidette on the road in his front. About the time the message reached me, the point was fired upon by the vidette who had galloped up the road to meet it. That vidette then retired to be reinforced on the next ridge by a party of about six men, which retired before my support. The latter I halted on the ridge, opposed by a mounted skirmish line of about one platoon at about 450 yards.

The regimental commander being present and other troops coming up, I was ordered to simply hold my opponents in check until further orders, but not to advance.

The enemy retiring somewhat, I rallied my troop under cover of the crest, there being at that time two troops to my left and rear, one troop in my rear, and one or two to my right. Lieut. Macomb, with Troop B, reported to me from my rear, and I received orders from Lieut. F. W. Foster, in the name of the regimental commander, to take the two troops and hold the crest to my front and left with dismounted skirmishers.

The position indicated was a ridge trending N. E. and S. W., and culminating about 200 yards to my right in a hill, where the headquarters then took station. The enemy's dismounted skirmishers were advancing and also moving by the flank to overlap my left. The cavalry on my left was withdrawn, leaving me no support there. The enemy, in strong line, approaching, and his battery evidently shelling me, I was about to let go, when two guns went into action on my left, to support which I remained until, as the guns were limbering up to withdraw, an umpire called a halt. The head of the infantry was then about 150 yards in rear of my right.

I was at no time under the orders of anyone except the regimental commander.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
(Signed) W. S. SCHUYLER,  
Captain 5th Cavalry.

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CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

Adjutant, 5th Cavalry, Camp Schofield, I. T.:

SIR: In accordance with your order of 1.05 P. M., I have the honor to submit the following report:

In the operations of this A. M. I was in command of Troop B, 5th Cavalry, and formed the centre of Capt. Woodson's battalion on the march towards Rock Ford. About 1.3 mile beyond the Chillicothe Ford I was detached with my troop by the regimental commander, taken to a point some 300 yards in rear of the battle line and directed to remain there as a reserve. I was informed that I might expect to be placed on the line just to the north or left of the hill occupied by the Division Commander. I at once sent forward a non-commissioned officer, (Corpl. Matteson) to this point, with orders to observe the enemy and report. He returned in five minutes or less and reported enemy in strong force, mounted and dismounted, to front some 1,000 yards. About this time an order from regimental commander, carried by Chief Trumpeter, 5th Cavalry, was received, directing me to advance and form up on right of Capt. Schuyler's Troop H, 5th Cavalry. I at once obeyed the order, passed under Capt. Schuyler's command and formed the right of his dismounted line in subsequent operations.

I am, sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
(Signed) A. C. MACOMB,  
1st Lieut. 5th Cavalry, Comdg. Troop B.

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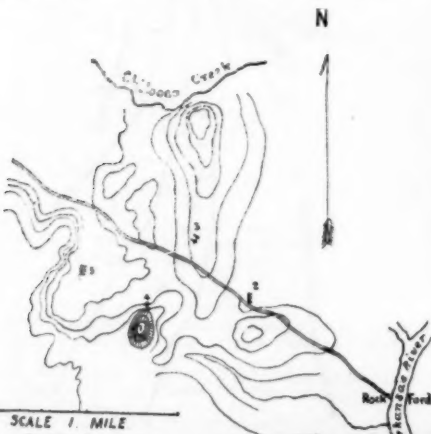
CAMP SCHOFIELD, I. T., Oct. 3, 1889.

Adjutant 5th Cavalry, Camp Schofield, I. T.:

SIR: I have the honor to report that my troop was ordered to take position on the left and fight on foot. I moved out in the direction named, and after marching about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a mile in column of fours dismounted to the right to fight on foot, deployed my troop as skirmishers, leaving my horses behind the hill, moved over the same and came within sight of the enemy, distant about 900 yards. Advancing towards them we became engaged.

They deployed as skirmishers on foot and outnumbered my troop about 4 to 1. As they advanced I retired slowly, and within a few minutes received an order from Capt. Hayes to join his battalion. I remounted my troop and complied with the order.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant  
(Signed) WM. F. HALL,  
Capt. 5th Cavalry, Comdg. Troop C.



Sketch Showing Relative Positions of Artillery, Oct. 3, 1889.